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MOVE

Establishment of a General Defence Headquarters for Japan may be viewed as a further indication of the preparations in that country for an ultimate worsening of the world situation.

GENERAL YAMADA, CHIEF OF THE NEW HEADQUARTERS, BECOMES VIRTUAL DICTATOR IN MATTERS OF EMPIRE DEFENCE.

He is responsible only to the Emperor and remains on the War Council as well as holding the post of Inspector-General of Military Education.

ALL JAPANESE MORNING NEWSPAPERS YESTERDAY GAVE PROMINENCE TO THE NEW DEFENCE MEASURE, WHICH IS ATTRIBUTED TO "THE AGGRAVATION OF THE SITUATION WHICH FINDS JAPAN SURROUNDED ON FOUR SIDES." — REUTER.

ICELAND
FREIGHTER
TORPEDOED

The official German news agency quotes a Reykjavik report that the Icelandic freighter "Hekla" was sunk on June 29 on a voyage to America. Of the crew of 20 only six were saved.

There were no Americans among the crew of the Hekla.

Thor Thors, Consul-General in New York for Iceland, said the "Hekla" was torpedoed without warning in daylight on June 29 and sank in two or three minutes.

The Icelandic colours were painted plainly on her sides when she left Reykjavik two days earlier.

She was sunk about 500 miles south-west of Iceland and the survivors spent ten and a half days on a raft before being rescued. — Reuter.

SIR ALEXANDER
ROGER INVESTED

The King invested Sir Alexander Roger with the insignia of the K.C.I.E. in London yesterday. Sir Alexander was Chairman of the Ministry of Supply mission to India. — Reuter.

Plain Language
To Nazis Likely

(By Reuter's Correspondent in Washington)

I LEARN THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IS EXPECTED TO DISCLOSE THE SINKING OF YET ANOTHER AMERICAN STEAMER IN THE ATLANTIC A FEW DAYS AGO WHEN HE SPEAKS.

RUSHING
AID TO
RUSSIA

Reuter's political correspondent learns that all possible aid is being sent to Russia.

The Prime Minister revealed in the Commons yesterday that hundreds of planes had already been sent there but this does not represent by any means the total assistance already sent.

In some directions aid given represents half the available stocks at the time of despatch, and though for obvious military reasons details cannot be given, assistance for Russia covers the widest possible field and the most up-to-date and speedy methods of delivery.

IF THEY ARE NOT ALREADY IN RUSSIA'S FIGHTING LINE BRITISH MACHINES, FLOWN BY RUSSIAN PILOTS, WILL SOON BE APPEARING THERE.

Lord Beaverbrook and Mr. Harriman, leader of the U.S. delegation, are expected to arrive in Moscow shortly to discuss with the Russian Government the future programme of aid. — Reuter.

GERMAN
RAIDER IN
PACIFIC

A GERMAN RAIDER OPERATING IN THE PACIFIC ABOUT 1,000 MILES WEST OF PANAMA HAS SUNK THE DUTCH MOTORSHIP "KOTANOPAN" AND THREATENED OTHER VESSELS; ACCORDING TO NEW YORK SHIPPING SOURCES YESTERDAY.

The "Kotanopan" was reported to be carrying rubber, tin and palm oil for the United States. Fate of the crew and passengers, if any, is unknown. — Reuter.

TOKYO NATIONAL
SERVICE DECREE

The Draft of an Imperial Ordinance was approved in Tokyo yesterday by the National Mobilisation Committee making Japanese males from 14 to 40 years, and females from 14 to 25 liable for national service.

Another Ordinance is for the mobilisation of doctors, dentists and nurses. — Reuter.

The speech will unquestionably be strong, and competent observers think it will be the most important he has made since the war began.

The President will be dealing with the German attacks on the "Steel Seafarer," and "Sessa" and another at present unnamed steamer.

The latest attack has given colour to the belief held in some quarters in Washington that Berlin is deliberately exciting the U.S. to see just how much she will take without going to war.

It is reported that Mr. Wendell Willkie has seen parts of the speech and indicated he will not only publicly support them but is willing to go even further.

THE ADDRESS IS DESCRIBED AT THE WHITE HOUSE AS ONE WHICH WILL BE "ALL-COVERING AND WILL LEAVE NO UNANSWERED QUESTION."

Plain English

This information was given by the press secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, to reporters. Mr. Early added the President will cancel his usual press conference to-day to hold the first meeting with the U.S. mission to Russia, headed by Mr. Harriman.

As the President went over and completed the draft of his address with Senate and House Democratic and Republican lead-

APPEARS IN
NEW GUISE

SUSPENSION OF THE COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER "DAILY WORKER" HAS BEEN CIRCUMVENTED BY PUBLICATION OF A NEW PAPER CALLED "THE WORKERS' GAZETTE." ACCORDING TO A QUESTIONER IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY.

The questioner asked whether any action had been taken against those concerned for contravention of the Defence Regulations under which the "Daily Worker" was suspended.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, replied showing the matter had not escaped his notice and that "any future developments will be watched carefully." — Reuter.

ARREST
OF NAZIS
IN IRAN

The Nazis are furious about the delivery of Germans in Iran into Russian and British hands, according to press reports reaching Zurich yesterday.

Berlin regards the handing over of Germans to Russia as "barbarity," according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Zurich Tages-Anzeiger."

It considers the British Government responsible and threatens reprisals against British war prisoners and civilians in Germany.

48 Hours Allowed

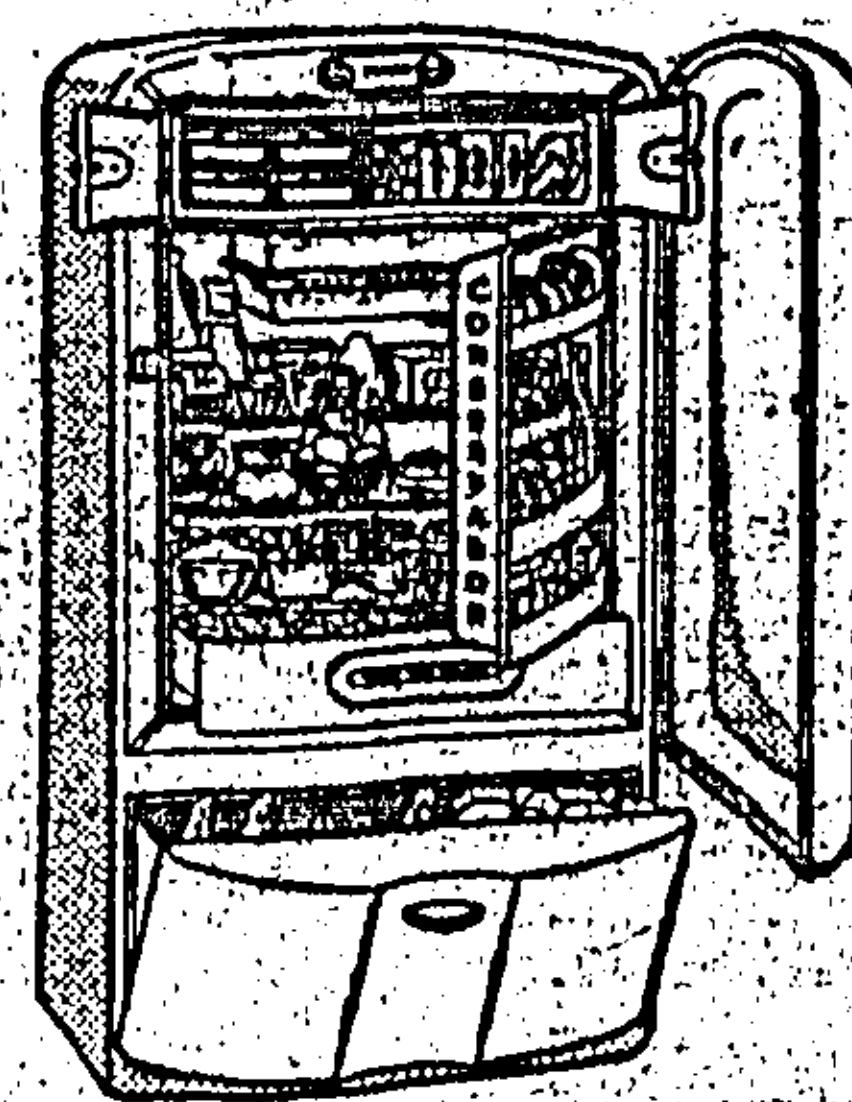
It is understood that the period of 48 hours allowed by the Anglo-Soviet authorities for handing over German nationals in Persia has now expired and that German and Italian nationals are being rounded up and brought to the main centres of Iran.

It is probable that they may be interned in Persia but the possibility of their being taken to India is not ruled out. — Reuter.

LAVAL LEAVES
HOSPITAL

According to the official German news agency, Laval, who was shot at Versailles, left hospital yesterday. — Reuter.

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NEW MURMANSK OFFENSIVE

Little Change On Main Fronts

Timoshenko Attack Continues

(Military Commentary by "Annalist")

A NEW DEVELOPMENT IN THE FIGHTING IN RUSSIA WAS REPORTED IN LONDON YESTERDAY WHEN IT WAS STATED IN AUTHORITATIVE CIRCLES THAT THERE WERE INDICATIONS THE GERMANS HAVE STARTED AN ATTACK IN THE MURMANSK DISTRICT, ON THE ARCTIC SEA, 600 MILES NORTH OF LENINGRAD.

How this attack is progressing, or whether it is on a very big scale, is not yet known. It is stated it seems to be coming from the direction due west of Murmansk and Finnish troops are believed to be taking part.

There is a railway line running down to Leningrad from Murmansk which at one point skirts the western border of Lake Ladoga, on the eastern side of which the Finns recently claimed to have advanced.

Pending further information this development does not seem to affect the fighting in the main Russian centres.

Detailed information on the latest developments were not provided by yesterday's midday Soviet communique.

In the Leningrad sector there is no news of any important change.

The situation between Smolensk and Gomel, where the Russians are counter-attacking on a 200-mile front, has become somewhat confused.

REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED OF A GERMAN COUNTER-ATTACK SOUTH-EAST OF GOMEL BUT THESE LACK CONFIRMATION FROM SOVIET SOURCES.

Germans Pushed Back

If they are true, important developments one way or the other may be expected in the next two or three days.

At various points in the large central sector the Russians report further advances and successes. At one point General Yeremenko on Wednesday pushed the Germans back 12 miles and recaptured 10 villages.

The Tass agency reports that during the last 24 hours, 12,000 Germans were killed at Villike Luki, which is 125 miles north-west of Smolensk.

These terrific losses on the part of the Germans show the violence

of the actions undertaken by Marshal Timoshenko's armies.

Kiev Clash

The Germans claim violent fighting north of Kiev on Wednesday where, however, Moscow reports say the Nazi drive was checked and severe defeats inflicted on two German infantry divisions.

No further reliable news has been received in London about the situation in the Ukraine, where the Germans still appear to be trying to cross the Dnieper.

A supplement to yesterday's midday Soviet communique says successful resistance is being made to the Rumanian troops on the approaches to Odessa.

On the whole, therefore, there has been, apart from Murmansk, no significant change as yet on the Russian front in the last 24 hours.

"Sooner Or Later"

Leningrad holds out, as determined as ever, and it is perhaps significant that German propaganda is now preparing the German people not to expect its rapid fall.

The German radio in its latest talk said: "It makes no difference whatever to the strategic situation in general whether Leningrad falls sooner or later." — Reuter.

DEATH OF DEATH-RAY MATTHEWS

The death was announced from Swansea Valley yesterday of M. H. Grindell Matthews, known as "Death Ray Matthews."

Among his researches, it was reported, was the discovery of a ray to kill disease germs, the design of a new method of aerial defence and the design of a rocket aeroplane that would travel at six miles a second and might make a visit to the moon possible.

To carry out his electrical research work Matthews lived in a closely guarded bungalow on the top of a Welsh mountain 700 feet above sea level.

He had permission to tap the electric grid system for power.

An engineer by profession, Matthews was best known as a pioneer in radio and sound film production and as an inventor.

Radio Pioneer

The possibilities of wireless telephony early attracted him and in 1911, at Cardiff, he succeeded in establishing wireless telephonic communication with an aeroplane one and a half miles away and travelling at what then was considered the remarkable speed of 60 miles an hour.

He also sent the first press message by radio telephone from Newport to the newspaper "Western Mail" at Cardiff.

His researches, it was reported, included means to detect submarines 30 miles away.

He got his nickname of "death ray" from an experiment with a ray that would stop aeroplane and motorcar engines.

Winning The Air

His aerial defence scheme was to "mine" the air. Rockets that could reach a height of 30,000 feet in four and a half seconds would contain a number of parachutes to which, by means of thin steel wires, bombs would be attached.

He served throughout the South African War and was wounded twice. — Reuter.

RETURNS A PRISONER

Hans Betram, who crashed near Wyndham, on the west coast of Australia, after a flight from Germany, in 1932, is again in the Commonwealth — this time as a major in the Luftwaffe, among prisoners of war from the Middle East.

He and his companion landed at Singapore on April 28, 1932, in the course of the flight to Australia. They were reported missing after leaving Kupang, and a land and air search was organised in Australia.

A note was found stating that the aviators were making for land, using a float from their seaplane as a boat. They were subsequently discovered by aborigines from the Drysdale mission station and rescued.

BACKWARD IN COMING FORWARD

Of the 10 Italian divisions which the Germans required on the Eastern Front, it is understood only three have been despatched and only one is in the fighting line operating behind German shock troops.

The remaining divisions are expected to be despatched shortly at the urgent request of the Germans. — Reuter.

PRINCE CHICHIBU IN SAIGON

PRINCE CHICHIBU ARRIVED IN SAIGON AT MIDDAY YESTERDAY IN A SPECIAL MILITARY PLANE FROM TOKYO AS THE PERSONAL EMISSARY OF THE EMPEROR TO KEEP UP THE SPIRITS OF JAPANESE SOLDIERS IN EXILE.

Prince Chichibu formally visited the Governor-General in the afternoon, while presumably he will start keeping up the soldiers' spirits to-day. — Reuter.

WREN'S BANNS ON WARSHIP

A leading Wren has made naval history by being the first in her service to have her marriage banns called on board a vessel afloat.

She is Daphne Dorothy Briand, 23, cook on H.M.S. Eaglet, anchored in a Liverpool dock, where officers attached to the naval base eat and sleep.

When the senior chaplain called her banns she was described as "Spinster, of his Majesty's Ship Eaglet."

Leading Wren Briand, who works a twenty-four hour watch and sleeps on board when on duty, is to marry A/Ci Fitter Ronald Float, 25. The wedding is to take place in the village of Outwood, near Redhill, Surrey.

The couple have known one another for two years.

Leading Wren Briand intends to return to duty after her wedding.

"I have been in uniform for eighteen months now and I think the service is grand," she told the "Daily Mirror."

Wrens' living quarters ashore are referred to as "ships," and have galleys, cabins and mess rooms, but not until recently have Wrens been allowed to sleep on real ships.

This was permitted after the blitzes on Liverpool.

30,000 GERMANS LOST IN GREAT BATTLE AT KIEV

THIRTY THOUSAND Germans were lost before Kiev, according to the secretary of the Central Ukrainian Communist Party, writing in the Moscow newspaper "Pravda" yesterday.

The 44th, 95th and 299th Infantry Divisions and other big units were completely routed, he added.

German losses in armoured equipment were not large. Soviet artillery destroyed some 23 German tanks, 72 lorries and 11 A.A. guns.

Violent fighting is reported by the German news agency to have developed on Wednesday in the area north of Kiev, in which two German divisions are said to be involved.

One division is claimed by the Germans to have broken up Soviet units in this battle into isolated groups and captured a large-sized town, making 1,200 prisoners, similar measures of success being attributed to the second German division.

Odessa Carnage

Meanwhile the Italian newspaper "Amoroso" writes: "Odessa is one of the most terrible battlefields in history."

"The ground is covered with the bodies of horses and other animals, overturned lorries, abandoned guns and motionless tanks. The cries of the wounded are louder than machine-guns and bomb explosions." — Reuter.

TRY RADIO DUPES—M.P.

British subjects who broadcast under enemy auspices should be prosecuted under the Treachery Act, "as soon as they can be brought to justice."

This is being urged by Sir John Mellor, M.P., in the form of a question to the Attorney-General.

Captain L. F. Plugge (Con. Rochester) is to ask the Minister of Information to watch broadcasts of British prisoners liberated in Germany to see if "the condition of liberation is dependent on the astute adoption of propaganda methods."

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CONFIRMATION THAT BRITAIN WAS SENDING HUNDREDS OF FIGHTER AIRCRAFT TO RUSSIA WAS GIVEN BY MR. CHURCHILL IN REPLYING TO A QUESTION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

The question related to the remarks recently ascribed to the Minister for Aircraft Production, Colonel J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon, regarding operations between the Russian and German armies.

ERROR LED TO RESCUE

"Steam north north-west," ordered the skipper of a Dutch trawler to his mate, and "north by west it is," replied the mate.

Neither of them noticed the mistake and the skipper went below.

"When he came on deck some hours later he found that the trawler was fifteen miles off her course.

Suddenly the look-out shouted "Raft ahoy," and the trawler headed for the raft and picked up six British seamen who had been adrift for five days.

They were taken aboard and the trawler set her course for a British port.

There was no mistake in steering this time, and the seamen are now in hospital.

Telling the story, the skipper said, "I was going to give the mate a row, but I forgive him."

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Mr. Churchill said that the versions which were published of the remarks made at a private gathering in July by Col. Moore-Brabazon bore a construction which represents neither the policy of the Government nor the views of Col. Moore-Brabazon.

"I happen to know his views," proceeded the Prime Minister "because on the day when Hitler attacked Russia, I told him on the telephone that I was going to talk that night of whole-hearted support for Russia and he expressed enthusiastic assent.

Fighters Sent

"He emphasised those sentiments in a public speech at Chertsey on August 9. Moreover, he has been all the time ardently at work, as I know from personal observation, sending hundreds of fighter aircraft to Russia, many of which have already got there.

"Therefore although phrasing of what he said at a private gathering taken from its context, might well be misconstrued, I am satisfied that he was and is in full accord with the policy which His Majesty's Government are earnestly pursuing."

Mr. E. Shinwell (Labour) drew attention to the correspondence which passed between Col. Moore-Brabazon, Sir Ernest Simon and Mr. Blackburn, organiser of the Engineering Union, and suggested that Col. Moore-Brabazon should make a personal statement.

Mischievous Action

Mr. Churchill replied he had read the correspondence and was astonished that anybody should have taken the mischievous action of making all this sensation, which does nothing but harm to Russia as well as Britain and leads to suspicion between those whose fortunes are linked together.

Col. Moore-Brabazon was, of course, welcome to make a personal statement if he desires, but the Premier had assumed the duty of handling the matter and would prefer to have it left in his hands. (Cheers).

When pressed by the Labourite for a quotation of Col. Moore-Brabazon's actual statement, Mr. Churchill said that although there was much he could say effectively, he forebore from quoting in order not to give disproportionate importance and significance to this matter. — Reuter.

HALF FARE IF ARMY WIFE

Servicemen's wives will soon be able to travel by rail where and when they like for about half fare on production of their allowance books.

The War Office, it is understood, are completing a vast scheme, with the cooperation of the railway companies, and it is expected that the Air Ministry and Admiralty will follow suit.

The concession covers children under 10 travelling with their mothers.

Within the next few days any full-time man or woman member of the civil defence services who has been working in a heavily raided area will be granted a free return railway voucher for holiday travel.

MOSCOW WARNING TO BULGARIA

Moscow radio states that M. Molotov has informed Bulgaria that her conduct regarding the Soviet Union does not conform with normal diplomatic usage.

Moscow radio added M. Molotov declared Bulgaria was letting Germany use her territory and bases in order to forward its attack on Odessa, the Crimea and the Caucasus. — Reuter.

CONVERSATIONS AT THE VATICAN

Mr. Myron Taylor, United States Special Envoy, had another conversation yesterday with the Papal Secretary of State, Cardinal Maglione, in Vatican City following his talk with the Pope.

Next week Mr. Taylor will take up his usual residence at Florence. — Reuter.

MR. GALLACHER APOLOGISES IN COMMONS

THERE WAS A SHARP exchange of words in the House of Commons yesterday between Mr. W. Gallacher (Communist) and the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, when Mr. Gallacher urged that the Government remove anyone who was not one hundred per cent. for cooperation.

Mr. Churchill retorted: "I am not prepared to seek guidance from the honourable gentleman who notoriously had to change his opinions wherever he was ordered by a body outside this country." (Loud cheers).

Mr. Gallacher turned to the Speaker, denying that he had ever taken orders from anyone outside the country, asking for protection and demanding the withdrawal of the Premier's remark.

When the Speaker intervened to call the next question, Mr. Gallacher shouted angrily, "It was a cowardly rotten action by the Prime Minister."

The Speaker called the next question and the matter was dropped.

Mr. Gallacher made an amende honorable before Parliament adjourned yesterday.

An Apology

He addressed the Speaker and said: "I want to apologise to you and the House for the offensive words I used after I had put to you my point of order, and to make a complete withdrawal of the offensive remark directed towards the Prime Minister."

The statement was greeted by cheers. — Reuter.

BOOM IN BEES

Since the war, the number of bees kept in Britain has risen by a half.

People are keeping bees for profit and to make up for the shortage of sugar.

Swarms are now worth twice as much as before the war. Honey and beeswax are fetching from fifty to one hundred per cent. more.

FLEET AIR ARM KEEPS UP HEAVY ONSLAUGHTS

"THE BIGGEST BLAZE I have ever seen since we started operations out here," was the description given by one pilot to a great fire which R.A.F. bombers left burning at Messina, Sicily, early on Wednesday morning, says the Air Ministry news service.

Targets were the power house and landing stages of ferries connecting Sicily with the mainland. Numerous heavy bombs were dropped.

POLITICAL WARFARE

At question time in the Commons yesterday Mr. Churchill announced measures to co-ordinate various organisations which hitherto were responsible for political warfare.

The Prime Minister said the Foreign Secretary, Minister for Information and Minister of Economic Warfare, had been in consultation on the subject of propaganda to enemy and enemy-occupied territory.

He had approved recommendations that they had made that a small special executive should be established for the conduct of political warfare. This executive had already begun its work. — Reuter.

Some pilots dived low to straddle the objectives, and one pilot was so fascinated by the vivid light from a fire raging near the Citadel that he flew around watching for about half an hour.

The Air Ministry also states that 14 Axis planes dispersed on aerodromes in Cyrenaica have been destroyed in a week without loss by naval aircraft operating with the R.A.F. Yesterday's Middle East R.A.F. communique reported the activities of the R.A.F. and Fleet Air Arm in the Mediterranean.

A raid on Sicily, the communique says, took place on Monday night when several places were bombed.

Docks And Ships

The harbour at Palermo was attacked. Bombs were dropped on the docks and many hits were observed on the three main quays and a drydock. Three large merchant ships are believed to have been damaged, and a fire broke out on the northern quay near oil storage installations.

On the same night bombs were dropped on the aerodromes at Catania and Gennina and both objectives were machine-gunned. R.A.F. heavy bombers attacked the power station, ferry ships and landing stages at Messina during Tuesday night.

Citadel Blaze

Many direct hits were scored and fires broke out near the commercial oil tanks. Another very big blaze was started in the Citadel area.

Fleet Air Arm aircraft the same night bombed and machine-gunned the aerodrome at Castel Vetrano, and a large fire was started.

The Fleet Air Arm also bombed the aerodromes at Gambut and Menastir, in Cyrenaica, on Tuesday night.

At Gambut, bombs fell near aircraft on the ground two of which were destroyed while others were damaged.

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"ZORRO RIDES AGAIN"

ROYAL ARSENAL AT TURIN GETS HEAVIEST BATTERING OF WAR

THE R.A.F. RAID ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT ON NORTHERN ITALY, WHICH WAS BY FAR THE MOST POWERFUL YET MADE IN THAT REGION, WAS LED BY BRITAIN'S BIGGEST BOMBERS, FOUR-ENGINE STIRLINGS. FOUR-ENGINE HALIFAXES FOLLOWED LATER, AS WELL AS TWIN-ENGINE BOMBERS.

It was also the first time that Britain's heaviest bombers had made the journey of 1,200 miles there and back with a double crossing of the Alps, which they took in their stride.

Describing the attack, one Stirling pilot said: "As we went down through France it was as quiet as the grave. One or two searchlights poked into the clouds but soon gave up.

"Most of the time during the crossing of the Alps we flew at over 20,000 feet. We were about the third bomber to come down to Turin and already there were three large blocks of fire in a row.

"We dropped a stick of bombs. After we had bombed we started climbing again and as we turned towards the Alps we saw the attack getting under way. There were lots of bombs being dropped.

Not Much Room

"A few minutes after we left Turin my rear gunner reported three fighters coming up very fast astern. I told him to get them because there was not much room for evasive action over the Alps.

"HE OPENED UP ON THEM AT ONCE AND THEY SPLIT FORMATION. ONE DISAPPEARED INTO THE CLOUDS AND THE OTHERS JOINED FRIENDS WHO HAD COME UP. THEY MADE NO ATTACK AND SOON MADE OFF.

"One solitary gun in the foothills on the Italian side of the Alps took a pop at us. It just fired once for luck.

"We came home very nicely."

A Wellington pilot came down to 2,000 feet to drop his bombs, planting them in five large fires in Turin with other smaller ones around them.

'Bulging And Billowing'

Another crew counted 34 fires and their bombs were seen to burst on a large factory building.

Another factory building was outlined in the flames. There were enormous explosions in the heart of the fire and "things seemed to burst out of the fire and explode at a height from 2,000 to 6,000 feet."

Other crews described how they saw fires "bulging and billowing" and made out the gaunt framework of gutted buildings.—Reuter.

TOBRUK AIR ATTACK

YESTERDAY'S CAIRO G.H.Q. COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT AT TOBRUK OUR ARTILLERY DISPERSED A SMALL ENEMY TANK PATROL.

Enemy air raids were on a heavier scale but no serious damage or loss resulted.

In the frontier area there was some exchange of shellfire.—Reuter.

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SOLITARY RAIDER

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CRUEL BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT SPEAK

A WOMAN MUSIC TEACHER WHOSE SCHOOLMASTER HUSBAND HAD LIVED IN THE SAME HOUSE WITHOUT SPEAKING TO HER FOR SEVERAL YEARS WAS GRANTED A DECREE NISI ON CRUELTY GROUNDS AT CHESTER ASSIZES.

"I cannot imagine greater cruelty," commented Mr. Justice Singleton.

Mrs. Amy Ann Hayes, of Church Street, Frodsham (Cheshire) alleged that her husband, George Leonard Hayes, lived in his own rooms in the house, told her he would get his own meals and reduced her housekeeping allowance.

The two daughters had not spoken to their father for a considerable time, she said.

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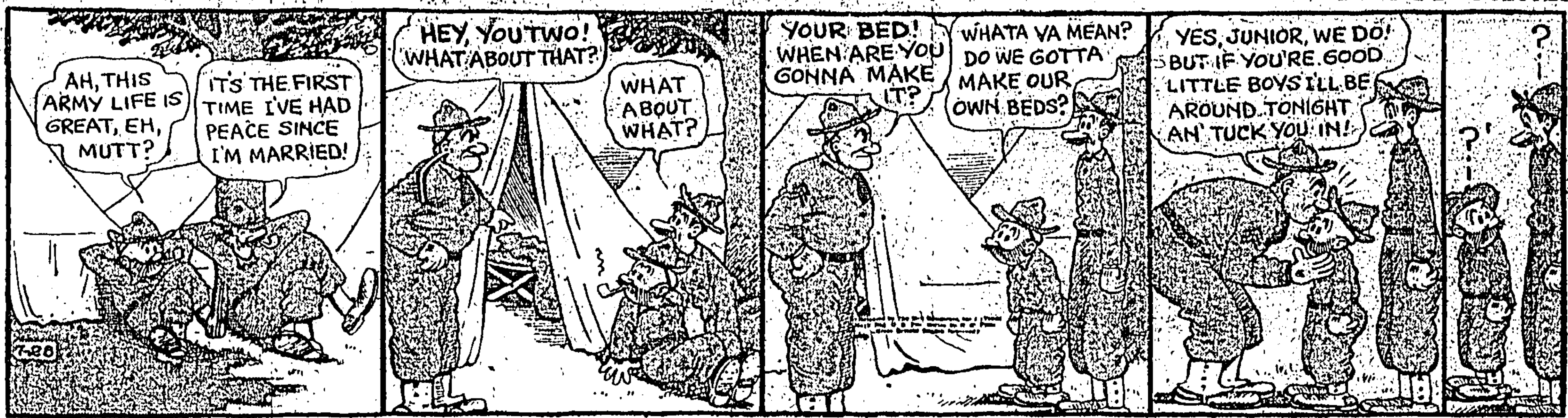
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FRANCO TALKS OF THE ROAD TO EMPIRE

SPEAKING AT SANTANDER during a review of the Army and Falange, General Franco said yesterday he would only speak a few words to express the feelings of his heart towards all gathered there.

He added: "This crowd gathered here represents the united peoples of Spain and faith in our re-aring. Faith and work is the rule of my Government and the spirit that animates us.

"Be sure that if it had not been for the war that faces the world, Spain would already have risen again and there would not be problems for the peoples nor for Spaniards that would not have been resolved with a firm hand and sure step."

General Franco said their feelings and united spirit reflected the feeling of Spain.

Making a tacit allusion to the February fire disaster, General Franco said: "In the same way your cheerfulness has risen above sorrows and past mishaps and you have optimism and confidence."

"So must also all Spain arise because it was for that that we

made war. We have given the blood of our best with history commanding us, with past glories made green through the effort of our youth.

Road Of Empire

"That is the spirit of our movement and our Falange: to raise Spain, to make revolution, giving bread to all homes and bring them joy and justice.

"Our work will to-morrow be our judgment. I therefore charge you with it, which is the service of Spain, the destiny of the Falange and the road of empire. Arriba Espana!"—Reuter.

2-DAY JOURNEY TAKES A YEAR

(From Martin Moore)

Two men who were on the staff of the British Institute in Rome, Mr. John Graham and Mr. Edward Lloyd, have arrived in Lisbon just one year after leaving Italy on what they expected to be a homeward journey of two days.

They had got as far as Paris when they were swept back by the German advance. Mr. Graham possessed a travelling rug and an umbrella and Mr. Lloyd an overcoat and a British civilian gas mask. That was virtually their only equipment for a tramp half across France during which they were repeatedly arrested by the French and narrowly escaped capture by the Germans.

Movable Shelter

Mr. Graham's rug and umbrella provided the two men with a movable shelter for four weeks, during which time they only twice slept in beds. "Each night we made a wigwam with the umbrella and rug, covered with hay or branches," he said.

"We had pitched our tent in the middle of a hayfield just outside Poitiers when we had the narrowest escape from the Germans. For an hour we lay hidden in hay, watching an unbroken stream of lorries and armoured cars pour along the road a stone's throw away."

After this escape the two Englishmen dare not again risk being near the highways. They had luckily found a map, and, taking bearings from the sun, they made a course across country in the direction of Marseilles. Mr. Graham and Mr. Lloyd

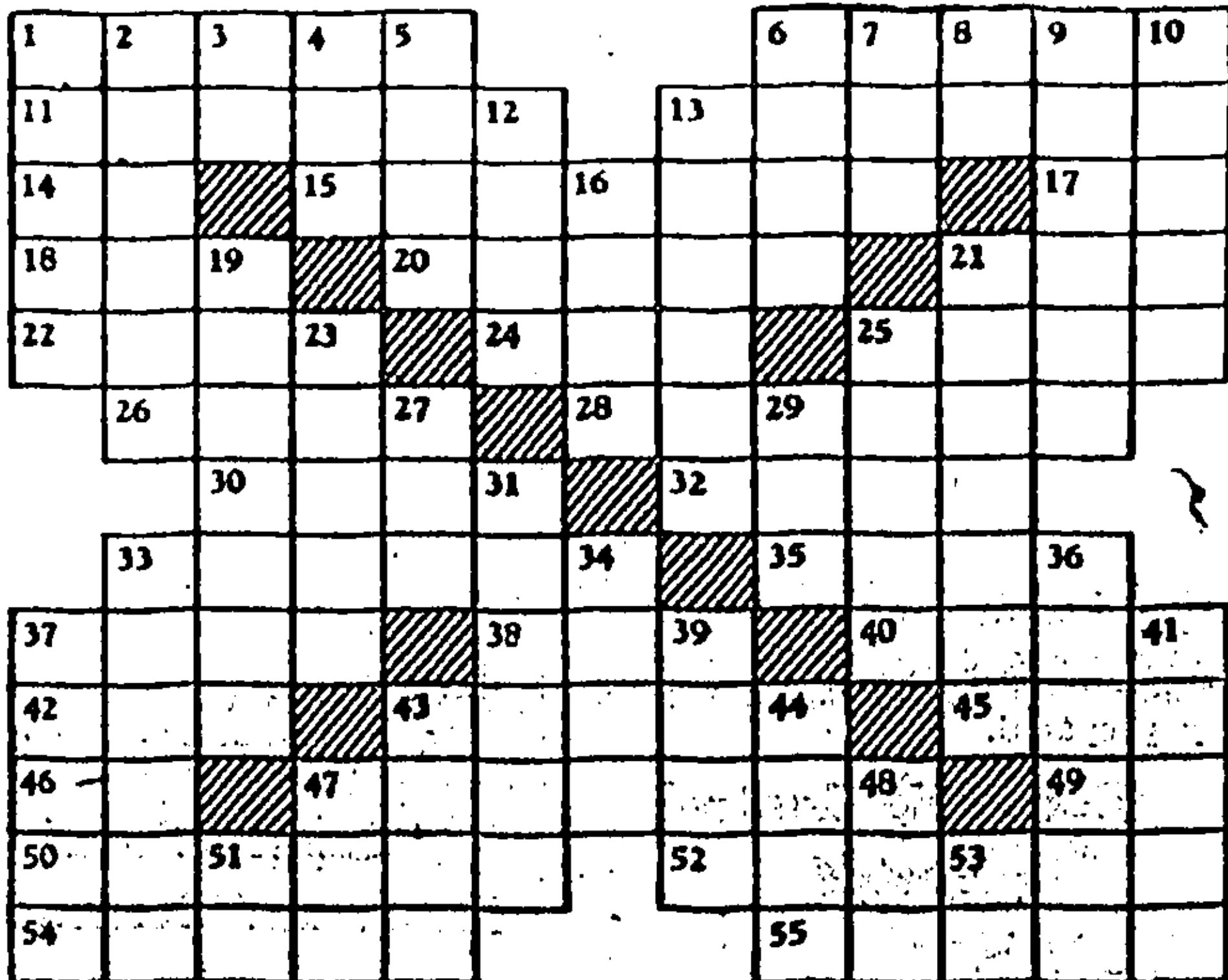
had to wait more than 10 months in Marseilles before they were allowed to leave for Portugal. They will probably remain here on the staff of the British Institute.

FALANGISTS ARRESTED

THE CLOSING BY THE CUBAN AUTHORITIES OF THE BRANCHES THERE OF THE SPANISH FALANGE "AUXILIO SOCIAL" RELIEF ORGANISATION IS REPORTED IN THE MADRID NEWSPAPER "ARRIBA".

Cuban newspapers allege that money raised for the organisation went to Spain. In denying this, "Arriba" says: "Our compatriots have been persecuted and imprisoned as Fifth Columnists for the single fact of having in their houses portraits of the Caudillo or Joe Astoric."—Reuter.

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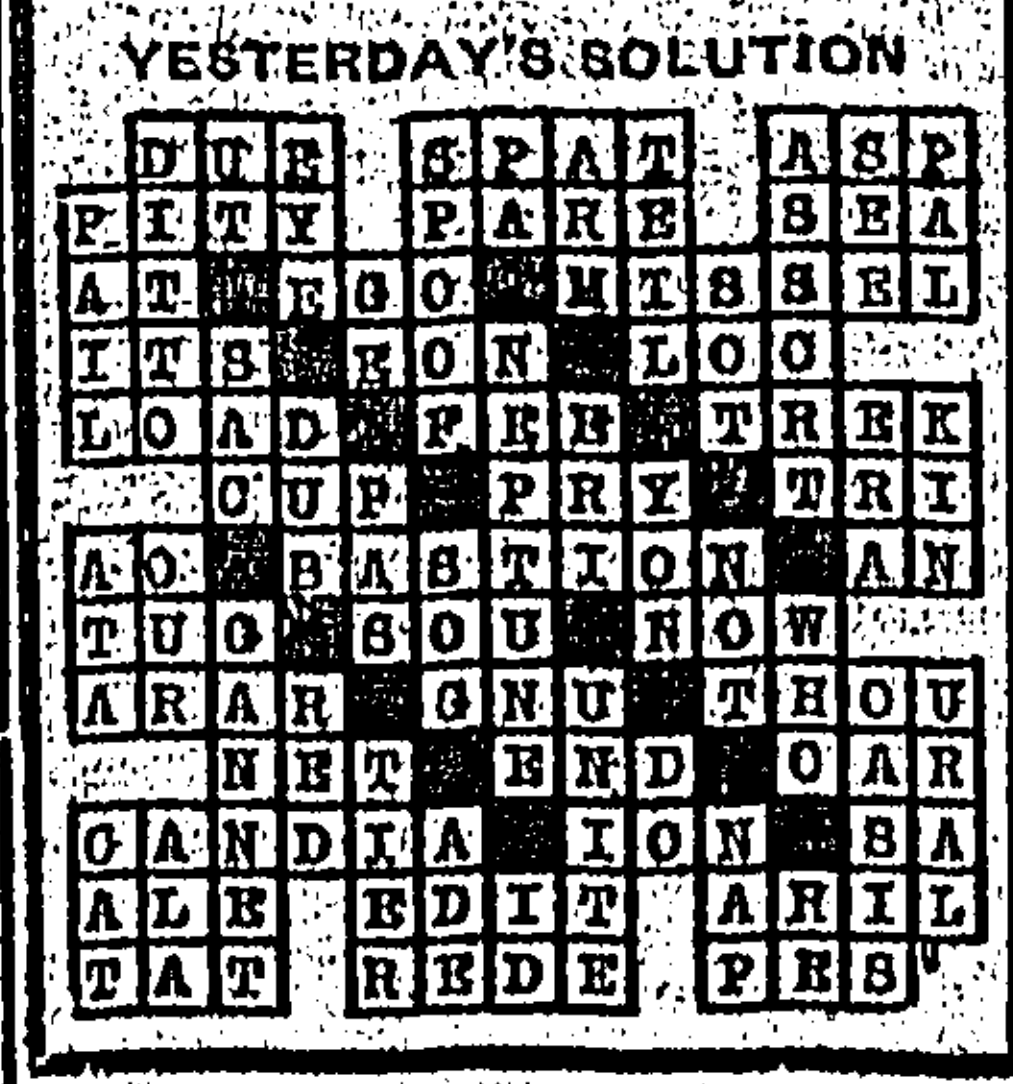


- HORIZONTAL**
- 1 Topics
 - 6 Hiredlings
 - 11 To transcend
 - 13 Word of honour
 - 14 Symbol for xenon
 - 15 Tentacle
 - 16 Anthozoan
 - 17 Teutonic deity
 - 18 Norse territorial division
 - 20 Figurative use of a word
 - 21 English river
 - 22 To box
 - 24 Entirely
 - 25 The birds
 - 26 To corner
 - 28 Travelled along the ground, as an aeroplane
 - 30 Pungent
 - 32 Irish song
 - 33 Circular
 - 35 Labour
 - 37 Part of the eye
 - 38 Negative
 - 40 Supercilious
 - 42 Individual
 - 43 Paid notices

- 43 To enroll
- 45 Gazelle
- 46 Colloquial: mother
- 47 Hallowed
- 48 Note of scale
- 50 Veritable
- 52 Small harpsichord
- 54 Dour
- 55 Extends over

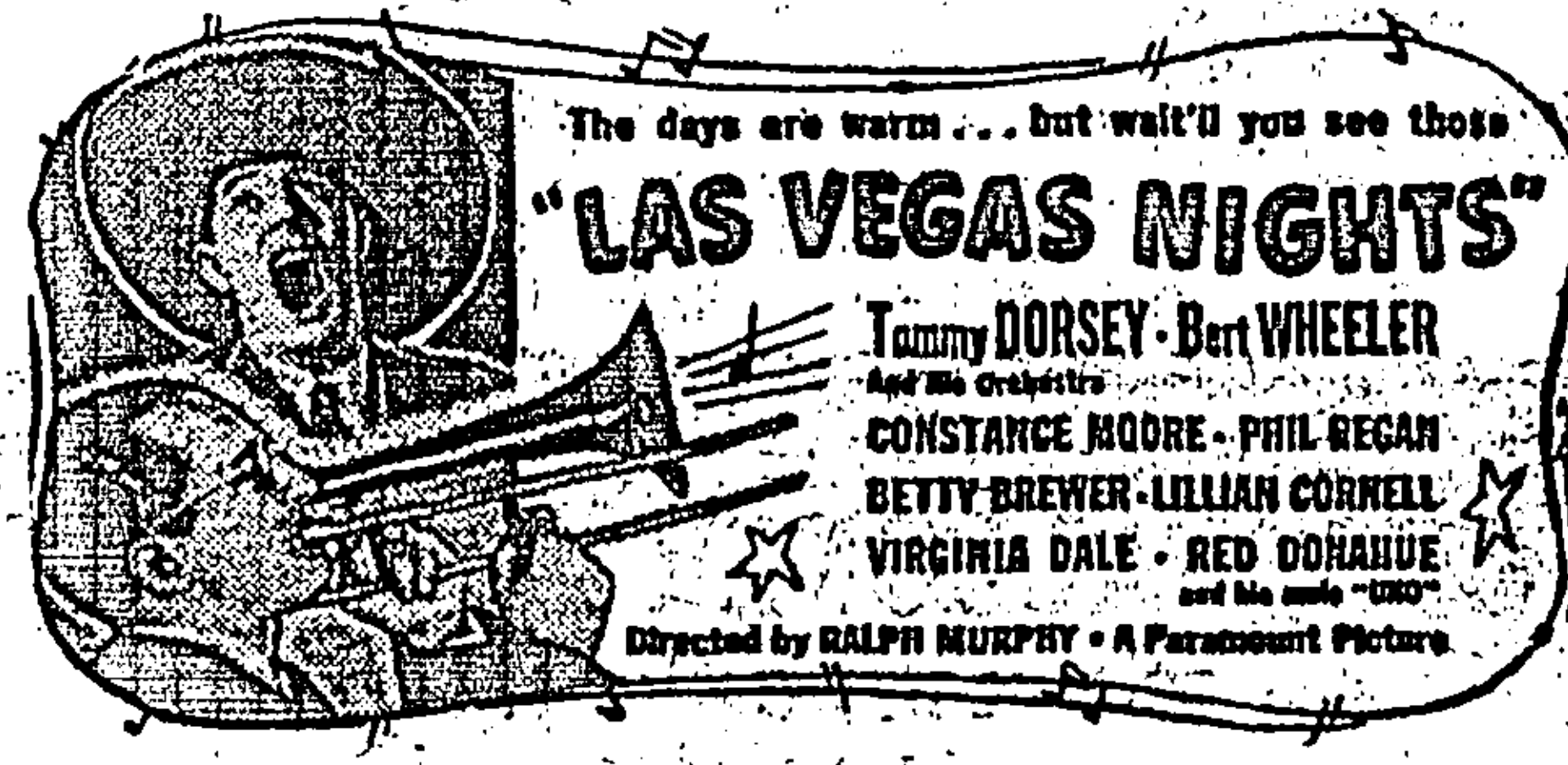
- VERTICAL**
- 1 State
 - 2 Set apart
 - 3 Ninety
 - 4 Beverage
 - 5 Dispatched
 - 6 Rational
 - 7 Before
 - 8 Artificial language
 - 9 Bent
 - 10 Withers

- 12 Egyptian measure of length
- 13 Tully tree
- 16 To shed
- 18 Mediterranean sailing vessels
- 21 Early part of the night
- 23 Peruses
- 25 Japanese aborigines
- 27 Silkworm
- 28 Indian pillar
- 31 Subterranean passageway
- 33 To edit
- 34 Drunkards
- 36 To free from tightness
- 37 Tibetan priests
- 39 Thomas Hardy heroine
- 41 Torments
- 43 Ardour
- 44 Corded cloths
- 47 Rough covering of a fruit
- 48 To plunge
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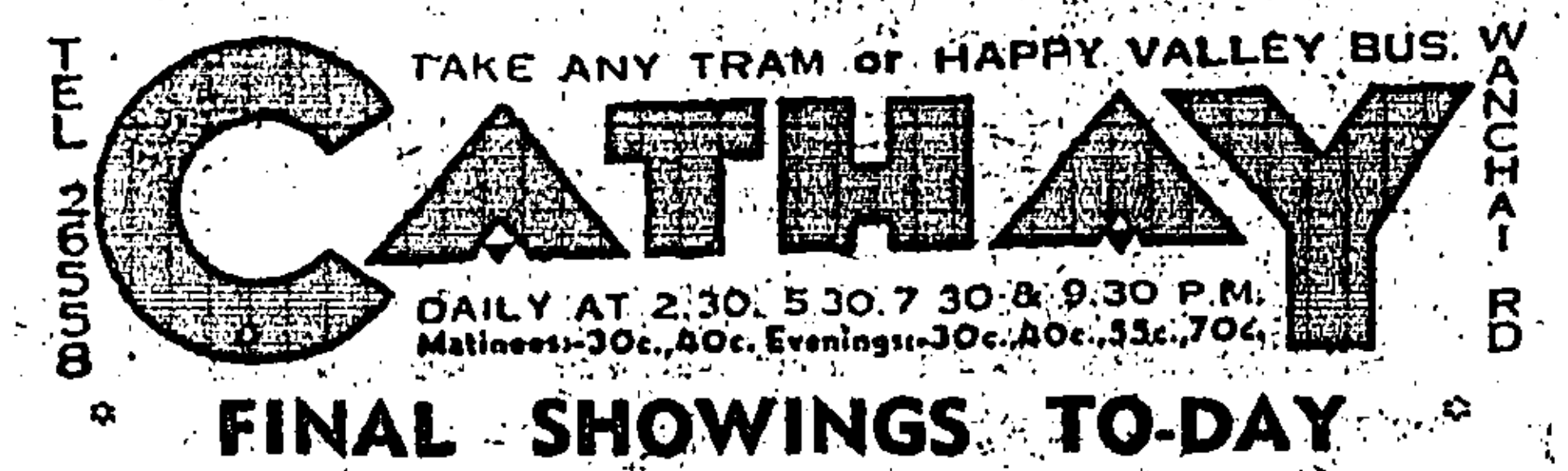


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U.S. OF EUROPE TRAVESTY OF OLD IDEAL

IT APPEARS THAT HITLER IS ABOUT TO ANNOUNCE HIS COMPLETED SCHEME FOR A UNITED STATES OF EUROPE. WITHIN A CENTRALISED, PLANNED ECONOMY, THE NATIONS WILL FIND THEIR "INDEPENDENT" CULTURAL PLACE UNDER THE JOINT SUZERAINTY OF GERMANY, ITALY, FRANCE AND SPAIN, WHICH, AS GREAT POWERS, WILL DECIDE IN COMMON THE MAJOR POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF THE CONTINENT, STATES THE "ECONOMIST."

In spite of their political dependence, so runs the argument, the nations will achieve a new level of economic stability and prosperity and, instead of cramping their national existence, the new system of co-ordination will open to them new vistas of freedom and development.

The odd thing is the extent to which this prospectus of the "new order" coincides with the plans of reformers both of the Right and of the Left in democratic communities. The union of Europe has been under discussion for two decades. Now it is an accomplished fact. The need to create a unified European economy under centralised planning and control has received the most enthusiastic recognition.

Now the need is fulfilled. Work for all stabilised markets, the destruction of the "slavery of finance"—all these have been common ground to social reformers of most diverse outlooks. Should they not be content now that Hitler has done what they talked about for so long?

The "new order" is, of course, an obvious travesty of their ideas. Europe has been united by destroying all freedom—personal and national—save that of a small gang in control in Germany. Even the hierarchy of "master-nations" is a farce, for the Latin bloc is industrially powerless and economically and politically dependent upon the Nazis.

The centralised European economy is an economy for war and an attempt to make siege economics the norm. "Jobs for all" depends upon the maintenance of the war machine. Further conquests alone can prevent Europe's standards falling still more and "stabilised" markets under these conditions merely mean an assured share in a steadily diminishing cake. The tyranny of finance has gone. The tyranny of Wehrwirtschaft has taken its place.

Teach Salutory Lesson

It is easy enough to explode the fallacies of this New Order, but the more ruthless reformers, on the one hand, and the more casual exponents of laissez faire, on the other, may be given pause by it. The reformers can learn how heavily all completely systematised and centralised organisations weigh upon their component parts.

Injustice, compulsion, loss of initiative, and a vast extension of bureaucracy—these are all evils inherent in any system as rigidly co-ordinated as that of German Europe. All are agreed that the ends of the New Order are detestable. It will have taught a salutary lesson if some grow to a common detestation of many of its means.

On the other hand, the English-speaking world is still very far from removed from this danger of over-planning. The lesson of the New Order which most needs to be absorbed in this country is that the age of enterprise has given place to the age of security. It is not a complete coincidence that Hitler and the social reformers have so much in common, for the reformers have been trying to find a solution for the grievances which the Nazis are exploiting to their own ends.

Every category of producer—worker, peasant, industrialist—was weary of the struggles and uncertainties of the competitive organisation of Europe. For many industrialists and peasants, an assured market seemed worth the sacrifice of a higher potential profit; for many workers, an assured job was worth the sacrifice of bargaining rights and freedom to choose their work.

It may well be that even the control itself which the Nazis have come to exercise is not altogether unwelcome. The desire for independence is not one that goes easily with the search for security. The Nazis found what was to some extent a tired and listless European community, no more jealous of its economic independence than of its political liberties.

Farmers Said Contented

The extent therefore to which the Nazis have found willing collaborators is not altogether surprising. Save in the dairy farming areas of Holland and Denmark, the farmers are not discontented with the new conditions. The Balkan peasant is selling all his grain, his tobacco or his soya beans, and is getting steady payment in return. In the west—to give the most telling example—the fruit and vegetable growers of Holland have had a bumper season and are looking forward to another equally as good. After years of destroying surpluses, they can now sell all they produce to Germany and get good prices in return.

Industrialists have, of course, been driven into collaboration by their need for raw materials, but there is no doubt that many of them would have been ready for it without this compulsion. It is, after all, only extending to the whole of industrial Europe the practice of monopoly which has long been the goal of the average business man and his associations.

The heavy industries of France, Belgium and Holland were already inextricably bound up with German industry and one of the reasons why there has been so little resistance is that the Nazis are not altering economic relations so much as abolishing the political frontiers which, until 1940, hindered the unlimited cartelisation and merging for which many industrialists were perfectly prepared.

Economic Control Vested

The Nazis are, of course, using their political power to ensure that economic control is vested almost completely in Germany. Foreign interests in German industry are being bought out, Germany is buying up a controlling share in French, Belgian and Dutch heavy industry. There is thus a shift in the power relationships; but it is important to remember that the framework of economic collaboration existed already.

It is also true that the Germans are extending the area of control. In France, Belgium and Holland, other industries beside those which were previously affiliated are being brought under German control. Resistance is even stouter in Norway, but here the whole industrial system was orientated towards Great Britain and Germany has no basis of pre-war industrial collaboration upon which to build.

Nazis Face Difficulties

While the elements of strength in Hitler's system should be recognised, there is no need to be hypnotised by them. The Nazis face formidable difficulties and their task is not made easier by the constant and sustained sabot-

NAZI COURIER FREED

Kurst Fritzsich, courier for the German Embassy in Washington has been admitted to the United States after being detained at Brownsville, Texas.

Herr Fritzsich had been halted by Border Patrol officials upon his application for entrance en route from Mexico City and Guatemala.

age—political and economic—which they have to meet. As might be expected, resistance appears to be least among those who have most to lose; but it is the sturdy business men of Norway who have been largely responsible both for the failure of the Quisling party and for the Nazis' inability to secure willing economic cooperation from the Norwegians. Workers and peasants are constantly at organised and unorganised acts of sabotage which the Germans attempt to meet—so far ineffectually—by imposing collective fines.

In Poland, arson is particularly widespread, while from Czechoslovakia comes the highest percentage of reports of industrial sabotage. In Norway, Denmark and Czechoslovakia there are clearly attempts—in Denmark by direct Trade Union action, in other countries by the pressure of public opinion—to prevent workers from working in the Reich.

Less damaging to the New Order but even more trying to the nerves and tempers of the new orderers is the attitude of contempt and insolence which the subject peoples in the main adopt towards their masters. It is on the whole passive and perhaps more trying on that account, since it cannot be punished without loss of German dignity.

What can a German soldier do to a Paris gambler who walks behind him in exaggerated imitation? But there is some evidence of violent resistance. In peaceful Copenhagen, arrests for political violence increased from 40 in 1939 to 2,000 during 1940. There are sporadic outbursts of violence in Poland, while the Dutch appear to have a secret society which quietly "eliminates"—Nazis and Dutch traitors.

"Supervisional Maximum" Reached

One effect of resistance is to increase the Nazis' already formidable problem of administration. It is possible, for example, that the "supervisional maximum" in agriculture has been reached; for it was found impossible to employ prisoners of war for agricultural work in Western Germany, since there were not enough reliable overseers. The German papers are almost as full as the English of complaints of lack of leadership. They also lack trained men to run the vast new Empire. When it is remembered that the number of people in territory directly administered is increasing rapidly, the task is not made easier by the constant and sustained sabot-

A CORRECTION

In yesterday's report of the A.R.P. inquiry proceedings, a sentence was inadvertently omitted from the reply of Mr. Kwong Wing to a question by the Chairman regarding the variation in the basis of the contract. When asked whether the cost plus basis was to the benefit of Kin Lee and to the detriment of Government, Mr. Kwong Wing replied: Correct. But only as far as the 200-foot tunnel was concerned.

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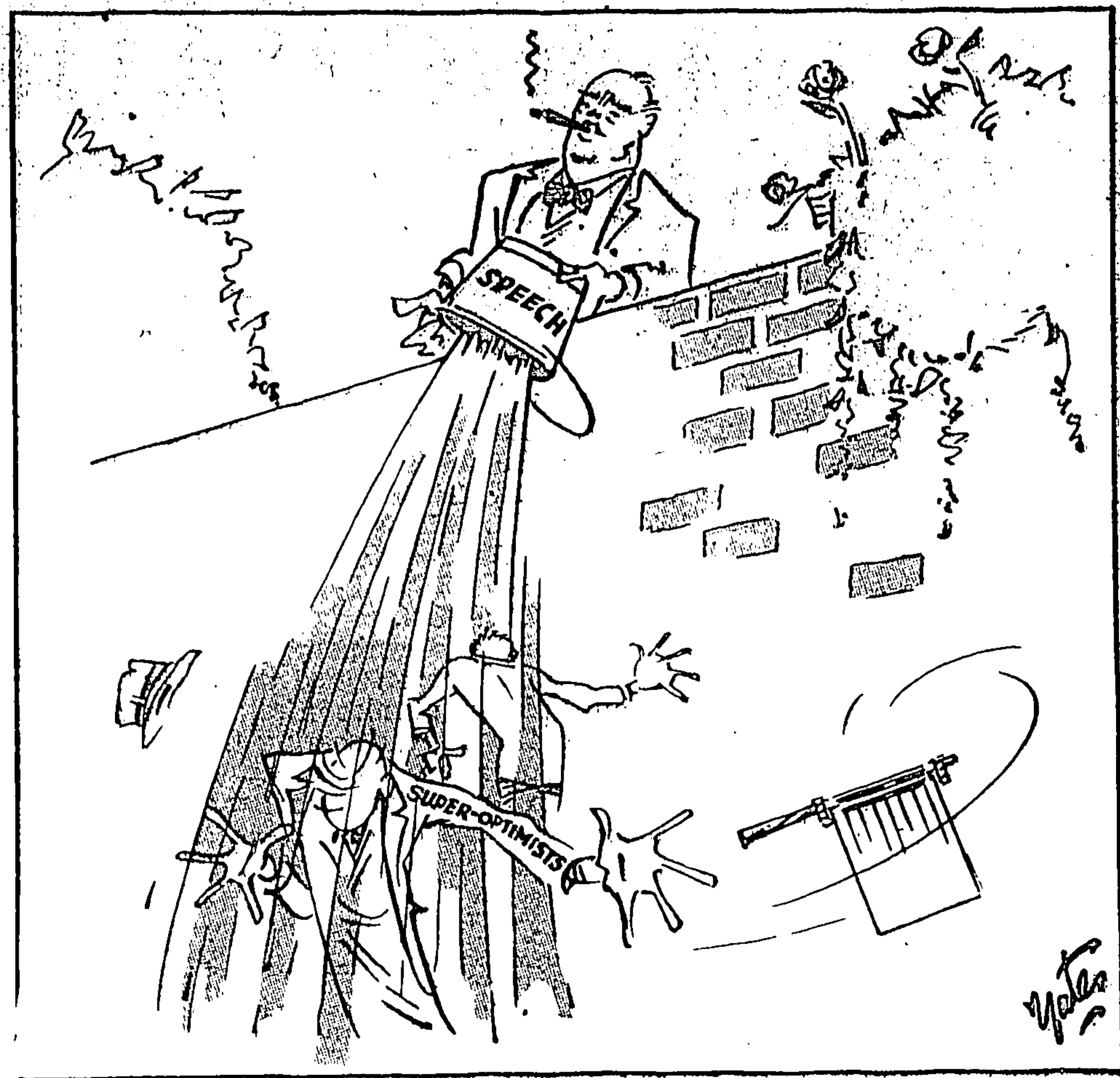
MR. CHURCHILL LEADS

Although Mr. Churchill gave a full recital of the relevant facts to any estimate of the war situation to-day, he maintained the tone of warning against complacency that has marked all recent ministerial speeches. Since this war began, the people of Britain have shown themselves to be a singular people; they are inspired to action by bad news and they seem positively to flourish on reverses. In recent weeks, as the Prime Minister himself was compelled to admit, the news has been consistently good. In the Middle East, which Lord Moyne indicated was officially regarded as Hitler's ulcer, our position has improved beyond all recognition in twelve short months. We can say more confidently to-day than ever before, thanks to Russia's intervention, and to the aid on gigantic scale and growing of the United States, that we are the captain of our soul.

Mr. Churchill, however, insists upon the peril of premature exultation. Never a man to be daunted by gloomy tidings, a mighty whistler in the dark, he bids his countrymen beware of temptations to optimism. The contrast between this attitude and that of the German High Command, covering up its difficulties with promises of "sensational victories" to come, illuminates the gulf between a regime which knows it cannot survive a failure and a Government so sure of its identification with the people and their cause that it can utter warnings against overconfidence in success.

REMORSELESS

Hitler is the prisoner of his conquests. As the gaoler of Europe, he has proved that the Continent is not self-sufficient, and he is therefore driven, on and on by the remorseless necessity of acquiring more territory in order to sustain what he has. He is likewise the victim of his own military success. To-day, he is hard pressed to explain the relative slowness of the advance in Russia, because his vic-



NOT YET THE TIME TO CHEER.

Fateful Decision

It is not necessary to explain to any intelligent Frenchman that America has a direct and vital interest in the fate of the French empire. The surrender of Indo-China has brought America to the verge of war in the Pacific. The surrender of the African empire would threaten the security of the Western Hemisphere and enlarge very greatly the scope and the probable duration of the conflict in the Atlantic.

For the surrender of northwest Africa would not only violate the solemn pledges of Marshal Petain, thus proving that the Vichy regime is not to be trusted in any agreement or political relationship, but it would contribute indisputable proof that the Vichy government had been captured by men who have invested their lives and their fortunes in a Nazi victory. Much that Vichy has done has been explained on the ground that Marshal Petain has a noose around his neck. But what was done in Africa, can never be explained in that way.

The Netherlands are also occupied territory, and Dutch soldiers are also prisoners of war and the Dutch people on the Continent are also at the mercy of the German army, and of the Nazi party. Nevertheless, the Dutch empire stands firm and nothing Hitler threatens to do to the Dutch in the occu-

pies in other theatres have been so swift. When he cannot move like lightning his pace seems snail-like. His military feats in the past force him to perform ever greater exploits lest the legend of success blow up under the fatal pricks of doubt. For the attacked to stand is a form of victory, but for the attacker to slow down is a form of defeat.

pied territory causes the Dutch in the free world to think of surrendering. Belgium is an occupied country, her King and her army are prisoners of war, her people subject to all the indignities and reprisals of the Nazi conqueror. But the Belgian empire overseas continues to be at war with Hitler.

There is nothing that Hitler can do to Frenchmen which he cannot do also to the Dutch and the Belgians. Therefore, it would never be possible to accept any explanation which said that Mar-

By Walter
Lippmann

shal Petain had to break not only the original alliance with Britain but that he had also to violate his own personal pledges to the world. If Africa is surrendered, it will not be because there is no other choice but because there have prevailed in Vichy the men who wish to help Hitler win the war.

There was never less reason than there is at this moment for the surrender of French Africa. A case can be made out for the surrender of Indo-China on the ground that there are no French forces there capable of resisting Japan, and that Britain and America did not deem it expedient to make the occupation of Indo-China a question of war and peace. But no such case can be made out for the surrender of Africa.

For with Germany engaged in the great Russian campaign, Hitler's activity in the whole Mediterranean basin has subsided. He is in no position to send motorized divisions into Africa. He has had to let the Italians languish in Libya, he has had to stand by and see the British reinforced Malta for offensive operations against the communications between Italy and Africa. Against the resistance of the British fleet alone, not to speak of what the French fleet could contribute, it is not at the moment conceivable that Hitler could land any considerable force for the invasion of Africa. Thanks to the Russian

army, and thanks to British sea and air-power in the Mediterranean, and with the help of the very substantial support which America could and would give, the French empire can in fact be defended against Hitler. If it is not defended, though Marshal Petain is pledged to defend it, it will be because the men of Vichy prefer a Hitler victory to the independence and the honour of France.

There are obviously Frenchmen who have staked everything on a Hitler victory. A man like Laval could hardly expect to survive and prosper in a liberated France; as a matter of fact he knows and says that his own life is forfeit if Hitler is defeated. Men in this position have not been in full control in Vichy. The surrender of Africa would place them in full control and all Frenchmen who participated in the surrender—the whole Vichy regime—would thereafter have as much reason to fear a Nazi defeat as Hitler, Goebbels or Himmler themselves. For in the eyes of true Frenchmen and of all the free peoples they would have committed an unpardonable act of treachery.

Thus they would force France first into war against the allies and friends of France, and then, as the Nazi occupation begins to crumble under the impact of the world-wide coalition that has now been formed their treachery would inexorably provoke a civil war within France. For the liberation of France would then require not merely the expulsion of the Germans but also the total destruction of the Vichy regime.

Marshal Petain made one tragic miscalculation a year ago when, believing that the war was over, he refused to fight on from Africa. The war was not over, and the forces aligned against Germany to-day are immensely greater than when he made his erroneous decision.

That error could be retrieved to-day by adhering loyally to his own pledges. If the pledges are broken, when the situation is so favourable to honouring them, Marshal Petain will not only lose the French empire to Hitler, for the duration of the war but he will prolong the war—perhaps for years—inflicting infinite suffering upon the bodies and deep misery upon the souls of his people.

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For example, Hitler's own newspaper, the "Voelkischer Beobachter," entertained its readers one day with a lurid picture of mice infesting the White House and, said the story, "scaring the decadent women of the American plutocracy by running across the floor in the midst of parties."

This and many other examples of the fertile imagination of Goebbels and his minions were culled from Nazi newspapers and periodicals, covering the period 1935 to 1939, by Prof. Francis Deak of Columbia Law School and a group of co-operators. A report on this unusual survey has just been released by Prof. Deak.

Nazis Idea Of Americans

Did you by any chance know that the "Big Apple" will soon be taught in American universities? That American humour is "venomous hatred, satanic distortion"? That American—"Dollarland"—is a land where most religions are "humbugs" and the chief interest is "sex-appeal"? Well, those are some of the tunes dished out to the German people by conductor Goebbels and his Nazi press and radio symphony.

Long before World War II, German school children were told this was the "typical America." Their parents read it every day in the papers and heard it on most broadcasts.

Attacks On Roosevelt

Much of the Nazi invective is turned against Roosevelt. The 120 million people of the United States are to be profoundly pitted that their destiny lies at present in the hands of the unimaginative and unbridled egocentric who is possessed by an almost crazy ambition," said the "Voelkischer Beobachter" on July 7, 1939.

When the president issued war warnings about two months before war actually broke out, the same paper observed that Roosevelt "continues his drivelling talk of war being imminent." The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" occupied itself similarly, in those intervals when it was not blasting English newspapers for failing to trust their Fuehrer with due reverence, and following Hitler's often-stated advice about not wasting time with small lies, the same paper on May 14, 1939, remarked that Roosevelt had "instigated the murder of Huey Long and concealed the facts by 'his reign of political terrorism.'"

An interesting revelation is that Germany is considerably exercised over the American ambitions for world conquest. According to the "Frankische Tageszeitung" of December 28, 1938, America had refrained from annexing Mexico in 1931, only because it saw the chance for richer plums in Europe, its first grasp for world domination. Now it is resuming its campaign to absorb South America, the same paper piously continues, and to frighten the South Americans into submission, it is raising the bogey of Germany! Germany which wants only to live at peace with its neighbours.

The Peaceful Germans?

This American Imperialism is subtle-business. The wily Yankees even send doctors and scientists to South America under the thin excuse of good neighbourliness. However when the "Voelkischer Beobachter" had occasion to report on July 26, 1939, that a bevy of German doctors were headed for a South American tour, it was expansion, explained the "Schwarze Korps" on May 4, is not "Imperialistic." It is the "seeking of the German soul toward Eternity . . . carried out not for imperialistic reasons but out of the creative power of our people."

Campaign Against Christianity

In his systematic campaign to undermine religion and educate the Germans out of Christianity into Nazism, Herr Goebbels has

not neglected the United States. American religion, the German people are told, is a branch of the entertainment industry.

American business is just as bad. According to the "Westfaelische Landeszeitung" of December 16, 1938, the War Department is notorious for its venality: "corruption, swindle and bribery" are practiced "everywhere in God's own country."

Adolf Hitler still gets mad whenever he thinks about what Joe Louis and Jesse Owens did to his Aryan supermen. The Germans detest Harlem, and about the worst insult of any is to blame swing music on the decadent capitalistic culture. One can only ask, said the "Voelkischer Beobachter," when the national anthem will be sung to swing, when the big Apple will be taught at the universities.

Balderdash Fed To The Germans

What attitude has the Nazi press deliberately instilled in its readers toward the United States? What has been the habitual picture of the United States presented in German papers? Let the "Schwarze Korps" sum it up (Jan. 12, 1939): "the amusing hunt of the Indians by your ancestors, your sweet jokes, such as negro lynchings, the Christianity of your gold rush period, and the heroic shooting of buffalo from trains . . . the manly deeds of your gangsters and the misdeeds of your hypocritical preachers of various sects, not to forget your silly fan dancers, your miserable millionaires, your childish films that make us sick, your hocus pocus superstition. That out of your poverty you dare reproach us that we totalitarian states have no culture left, is shameful."

That is the way they were talking long before the war started. This is the type of stuff on which the German people were fed for years before the war. All of these statements were

SPEECH JOB FOR POLLITT

Harry Pollitt, the Communist leader, has, with Government sanction, been released from his skilled trade to do "important work for the Communist Party."

The "Daily Mirror" understands that this work will include visits to different parts of the country to speak in support of the war effort.

GAOLED AFTER SECRET TRIAL

After a two-day trial in secret at the Old Bailey, George Charles Crellan, 39, naval architect, was found guilty of offences under the Official Secrets Act and Defence Regulations, and sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment.

Public and Press were admitted after the jury had returned their verdict.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten said to Crellan:—

"It is a grave matter that a person who is entrusted with important documents should have misused them."

"Although but a temporary member of the Civil Service, you have acted flagrantly in violation of the standards which the Civil Service of this country has always maintained."

"Your previous career does not afford any ground for treating the offences you have committed with leniency."

made before the Nazis invaded Poland, and consequently, before the German propaganda machine was turned loose to combat U.S. aid to England.—International News Service.

HITLER'S FALSE GAME IN REICH

"IT IS NOW CLEAR that Hitler played a perfidious game," declares the exiled German steel magnate, Fritz Thyssen, whose financial backing helped the Nazis to power.

"I thought Hitler would merely provide a transition stage for the reintroduction of the monarchy, but Germany now has become a sort of Gauleiters' Club," writes Thyssen in the magazine "Liberty."

The American United Press says Thyssen was duped into believing the Nazis would end economic anarchy in Germany.

His idea of a stable industrial system was a "corporative" business constitution with capital, labour and the Government closely collaborating—a happy medium between outright Government control and unregulated free enterprise.

He believed the Nazis offered such a middle way.

Thyssen admits, having given the Nazis a million marks and estimated German industry's contribution at two million marks a year.

Thyssen opposed the war, declaring that it would make Germany dependent on Russia for raw materials, thus forcing her to forgo her position as a world power.

Hitler's reply was: "He who isn't for me is a traitor and will be treated as such."

Thyssen was forced to flee from Germany. His nephew, disapproved in Dachau concentration camp.

Fritz Thyssen was deprived of his German holdings but had managed to transfer a large fortune to America.

It was recently suggested that a nest-egg of \$3,000,000 in the vaults of a New York bank, nominally held by the Union Banking Corporation, a Dutch concern, was Thyssen's or might even have been placed there by Thyssen acting as agent for Hitler.

PREDICTION OF INVASION OF CONTINENT

INTIMATING THAT BRITAIN MIGHT BE PREPARING FOR AN INVASION OF NAZI-HELD WESTERN EUROPE, THE COMMUNIST PARTY ORGAN "PRAVDA" SAID THAT THERE WAS "EVERY REASON TO EXPECT" THAT THE ROYAL AIR FORCE SOON WOULD BE CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING LAND AND SEA OPERATIONS AGAINST GERMANY.

Soviet newspapers and leaders, including former Foreign Commissar Maxim Litvinoff, have been urging the British to strike "while the iron is hot" and attack Germany in the West while Adolf Hitler is preoccupied along the 1,800-mile Russian front and suffering heavy losses there.

WOMAN IN AIR SECRET

A woman has played an important part in developing radiolocation.

This was revealed by Mr.

R. A. Watson Watt, of the Ministry of Aircraft Production, who is the brains behind the evolution of Britain's secret weapon, which gives warning of the approach of enemy aircraft.

He disclosed that his wife acted as his assistant in his earlier radio research, and that this work led to experiments which have resulted in the latest scientific triumph.

Together in search of a scientific triumph they have braved the terrors of tropical thunderstorms and the rigours of the Arctic.

When a reporter saw Mr. and Mrs. Watt at their home at Richmond Mr. Watt paid tribute to the value of his wife's cooperation.

Asked if they had any children, Mr. Watt replied with a laugh, "No, no Microwatts."

Housekeeping Too

Married in the summer of 1916, Mr. and Mrs. Watt started their married life in a wooden hut between Aldershot and Farnborough.

Mrs. Watt sandwiched between her housekeeping duties the job of recorder and observer for her husband.

She also provided the Aldershot Command with the correct time at noon every day.

She listened to the time signals from Berlin and Paris, with a stop-watch in one hand and a telephone in the other, and at the precisely correct moment gave the word "Go" to the Command H.Q., who sounded three pipes on a siren.

Mrs. Watt said: "I was able to do repairs to my husband's wireless apparatus, soldering connections and that sort of thing, and as I also knew the Morse code I managed to be of some help to him."

EXTRA-FLASH- EXTRA: READ ALL ABOUT IT

After juggling with headlines on eight or ten news stories on the international situation, the Editor of the Clearfield (Ph.) "Progress" scrapped them all and informed his readers: "In a five-column, 72-point page 1 headline:

"World in an awful mess." In an Editor's note he listed briefly the fast-breaking international developments and told the readers:

"If you can think of a better headline to summarise all this, let us know."

"The British air raids on cities of Central and Western Germany have proved the qualitative superiority of British aviation over the Luftwaffe, and Britain now also undoubtedly possesses superiority in the rate of aircraft production," said "Pravda."

"In addition, she has at her disposal the aviation plants of the United States, Canada and Australia, which are completely out of reach of the Germans."

"The world has every reason to expect that in the near future even stronger and more successful blows will be delivered at Germany by British planes and also that British aircraft will prove capable of supporting any land or sea operations against Germany."

"Despite all her difficulties in the course of the past two years Britain is exerting every effort to muster her enormous resources in preparation for forthcoming decisive battles against Hitlerite Germany."

Tribute To Navy

The British Navy, the account continued, as well as Britain's merchant fleet, has held its own in the Battle of the Atlantic "despite all boasts and threats of the German command," "Pravda" adds.

"The navy not only has proved capable of insuring a constant flow of oil, war materials and foodstuffs to Britain herself but to the armies in Africa and Asia, while the German flag has been driven from the world's oceans and no longer dares appear on the seas."

The article described in detail how Britain had defeated Herr Hitler's Blitzkrieg aims and said that at the start of the war in September of 1939 Herr Hitler and his advisers were convinced that the British were poorly prepared and could not stand a long war.

Barges Ordered

A considerable number of ferro-concrete barges has now been ordered by the Admiralty, it was learned in London. Most of them are of the precast slab type, large enough to handle 200 tons of cargo.

The design is based on the usual Thames barge, but the ends are shaped to provide greater seaworthiness. They are said to be equipped "for service at various ports and under varying conditions." Their cost is about the same as steel barges, and they can be assembled in eight weeks.

When any mention is made of barges the people in Britain naturally think in terms of invasion. The British Navy's decision to order barges was reported to have been taken early last year.

'COLUMNISTS' FREED

Because of lack of evidence, the Instruction Court in Havana ordered the release of three Germans and a Swiss who were detained on charges of engaging in "fifth-column" activities.

However, the court ordered further investigations of the charges preferred by the police against the group after they had seized considerable documents and photographs at their respective homes.

"SANDMATS" TO QUELL INCENDIARY BOMBS

"Sandmats" — half-size sandbags for dealing with incendiary bombs in the open — are recommended by the Ministry of Home Security.

A "sandmat" is made from a standard sandbag, cut in half and filled with 20lb. of sand, sifted household ash, or fine dry earth.

SEAMAN STOPPED RUNAWAY VESSEL

Hundreds of people saw a man dive fully clothed from the George V. Bridge, Glasgow, recently, and swim to the rescue of a steamer which had broken from her moorings and was drifting helplessly with no one on board.

The man was Henry Newby, a 27-year-old merchant seaman, of Livingston Street, South Shields, who was on a few hours' shore leave from his own ship.

Crossing the George V. Bridge, he saw a small coastal vessel drifting almost broadside on and in danger of fouling other vessels moored along the river.

The coaster had broken her moorings under the strain of a strong down-stream tide and current. Her mast had caught a suspension bridge 200 yards further up the river and snapped.

Newby leapt over the parapet and dived 40ft. into the muddy Clyde.

A few strokes brought him alongside the bow, and grasping the broken mooring rope, he swarmed aboard hand over hand.

"The ship was drifting almost broadside on the current as I rushed for the helm," Newby told the interviewer. "I turned it hard over to port, but the engines were not running, and the ship did not answer to the rudder."

"I hung on however, and the bow came slowly round. As it did so two dock officials came alongside in a ferryboat."

"Thousands of people must have seen the drifting ship, but no one seemed to realise the danger she was likely to become to other berthed vessels," he added.

ALIENS USE SEVEN NAMES IN WEEK

Police who are checking up aliens living in Liverpool hotels and boarding houses have had their work complicated by couples registering under different names each night.

They have found cases where men and women have entered under seven different names in a week—all at the same place. The police are using their powers to inspect registration books at any hour.

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"What indeed, Sir. Unfortunately, Sir, I assumed that after that party you were as fit as a fiddle. I was vice versa. I'll be in the forenoon, and would require little, if any, breakfast. In fact, I instructed Cook to that effect."

"Hawkins, you weren't expecting that I'd have a hangover? That's one of my ripe experiences. Could have a morning after?"

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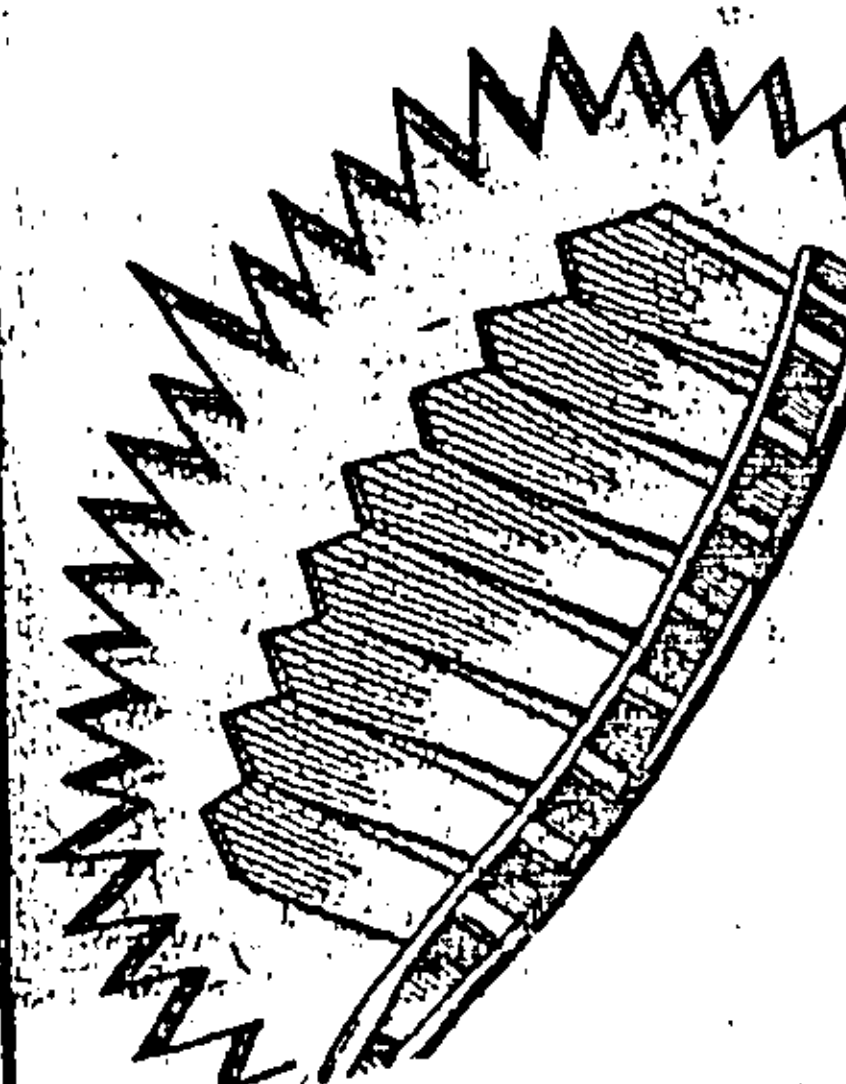
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North-South vulnerable

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♦ 8 7 5 2
♣ K 9 6 5
♠ 9 6 5

WEST
♥ Q 8 3 2
♦ Q J 10 6
♣ 10 7 2
♠ A 3

EAST
♥ 10 7
♦ K 9 4 3
♣ J 8 4 3
♠ 9 4 2

SOUTH
♥ A J 9 6 4
♦ A
♣ A Q
♠ K Q J 10 7

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 1NT Pass
3♥ Pass 3♠ Pass
4♥ Pass Pass Pass

West opened the Queen of hearts, South winning with the Ace. Declarer led a trump to dummy's King and finessed a trump, losing to West's Queen. West led another heart, and South ruffed. Declarer then played the trump Ace, discovering that West had as many trumps as he did. He therefore switched to clubs, knocking out West's club Ace. West led a third heart, and South used his last trump to ruff it. Eventually, West ruffed a club and cashed his last heart to defeat the contract.

Now — someone has committed a frightful crime, but it isn't at all obvious. See if you can spot the crime and the criminal before you read on.

South was the criminal, for he should have made his contract despite the excellent defence. He could afford to lose two trump tricks and a club, but could not afford to lose control of the hand (as actually happened). Correct play, therefore, was not to take a trump finesse!

Instead, it was correct for South to draw two rounds of trumps with dummy's King and his own Ace. Then, with three trumps still left in his hand, South could have forced out the Ace of clubs without having to fear the consequences. West would take the club Ace and lead another heart, reducing South to two trumps. But then South could lead clubs until West felt like ruffing. It would be a sort of counter-forcing game, and South would remain one jump ahead of West and therefore make his contract.

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♥ K 9 7
♦ 3 2
♣ A J 10 4
♠ K J 6 5

The bidding:

Jacoby	Yan	Schenken	Burnstone
1♥	Pass	2♥	2♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♥	Dbt.	Pass	5♠
Pass	(?)		

ANSWER: Pass. Your partner cannot be interested in a slam, since he passed four spades; and you have already told your story. You must allow your partner to make this kind of decision without his having to fear that you will take him too high.

Score 100% for pass, 0 for any bid.

Question No. 819

To-day you are Howard Schenken's partner, and, with neither side vulnerable, you hold:

♥ Q 10 7 5
♦ 8
♣ K J 6 2
♠ Q 9 4 3

The bidding:

Schenken	Jacoby	Yan	Major
1♥	2♥	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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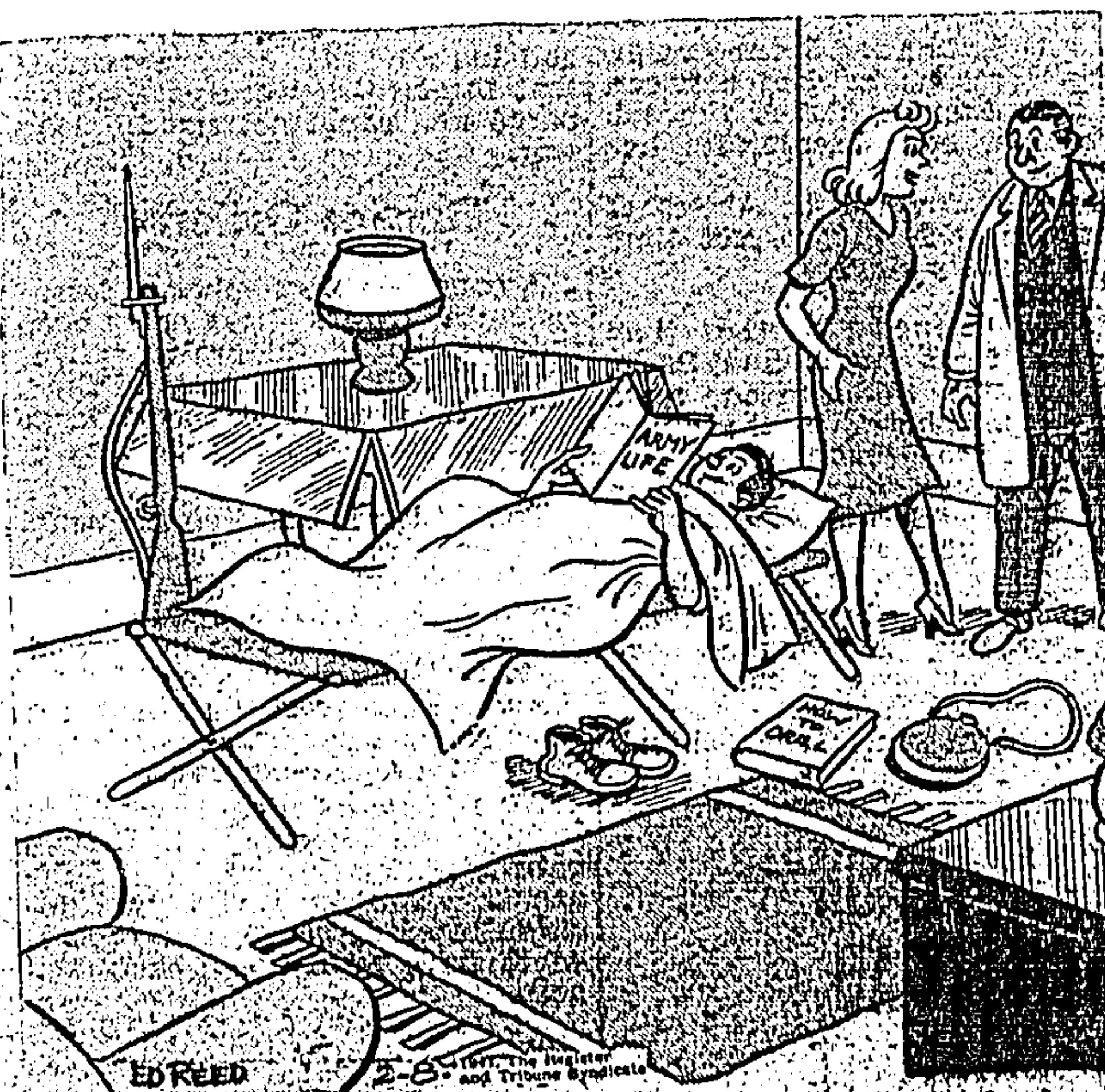
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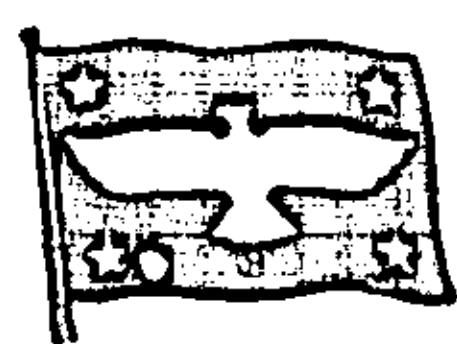
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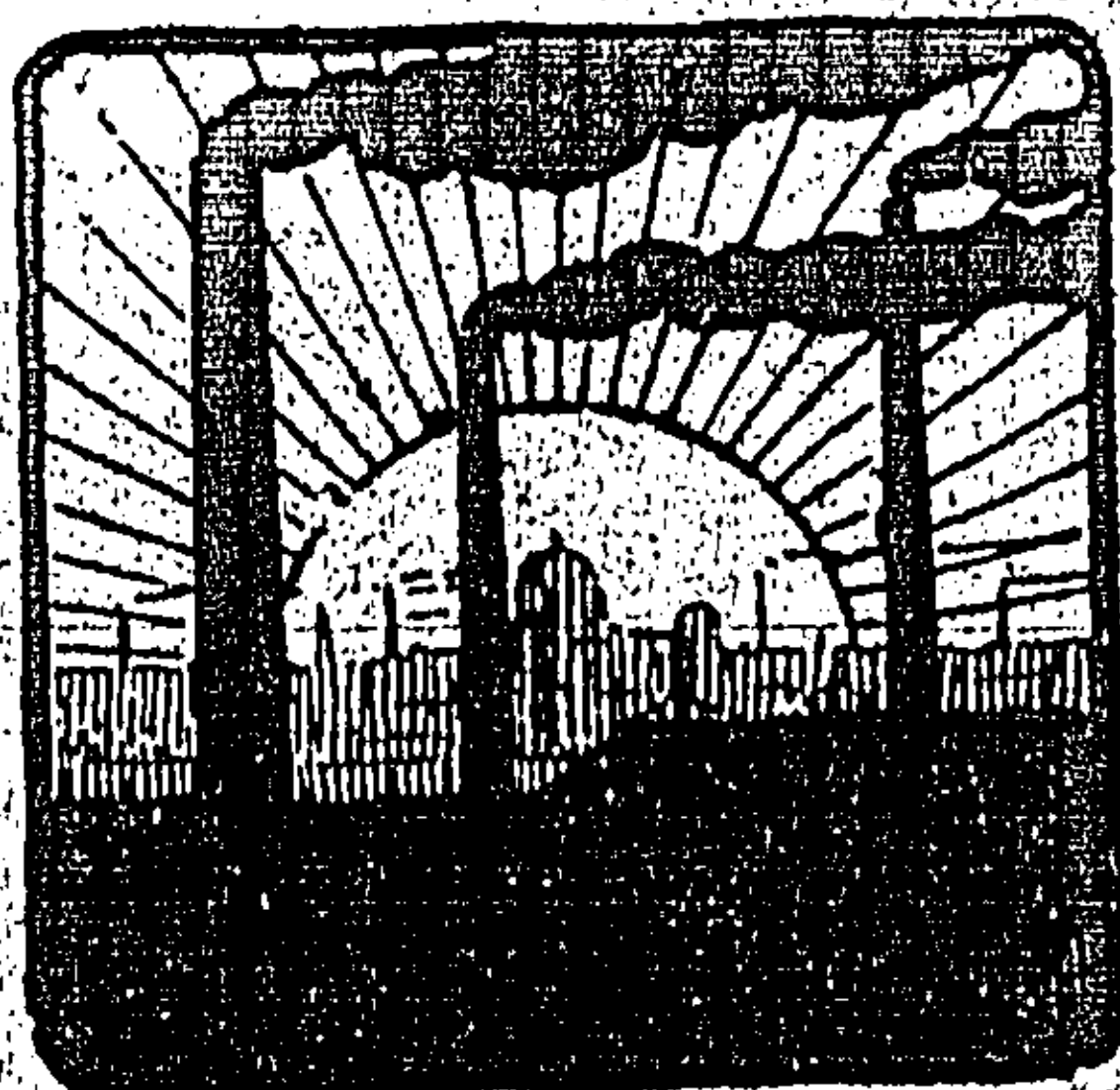
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**U.S. OF EUROPE
TRAVESTY OF
OLD IDEAL**

(Continued from Page 6)

ministered by Germany has grown from about 68 to 109 millions since February, 1938, the magnitude of the problem can be grasped. And Nazi education is not designed to reproduce the reliable and duty-loving German civil servant of tradition.

Moreover, behind the immediate difficulties created by purely passive resistance and administrative insufficiencies, there are other more fundamental obstacles to the smooth functioning of the New Order, in spite of the extent to which, on paper, it meets both the dreams of the reformers and the needs of the man in the street.

When everything in its favour has been said, it remains a travesty of men's real hopes and necessities. It is based upon war, upon turning butter into guns, and when German people had sacrificed all beyond the food necessary to keep them efficiently at work, the Czechs, the Poles, the peoples of western Europe were asked to repeat the sacrifices.

All Surpluses Disappear

The first consequence of Nazi occupation is the disappearance of all surpluses and many necessities. As more and more consumption goods are sacrificed to the war effort, inflation within Europe and further predatory conquests without are the inevitable consequence.

Thus, while the market gardener in Holland or the peasant in Rumania, this year and next and the year after, gets his regular payment for all his produce, the money he receives has less and less value. The whole offer of "stability" in such a system is illusory.

Employment, markets, regular payments all depend upon the armament industry and the armament industry sucks up the substance of Europe and must be prepared to extend its sphere when Europe is sucked dry. Nor need it be supposed that the peoples of Europe are completely unaware of this. "Rationalising the labour force" or "consuming export surpluses" or "closing down redundant industry" is only another way of saying forced labour, looting and squeezing out non-German competitors.

It may be that Goebbels has made a mistake in producing the "new order" at once in such concrete terms. People know it too well and know how singularly un-Utopian it is. Whereas as a ground plan for future organisation—the present could have been explained away as a wartime necessity forced on peaceful Europe by Britain—it would have acted as an added incentive to finishing the war.

It follows that the propaganda possibilities of the "new order" are not exhausted except by the Nazis. It is for the English-speaking peoples to take them up and prove that they are determined to exchange a genuine "new order" for this Nazi travesty.



Dietering Dot says it's a question whether she should do without food at her meals and keep her figure or eat a bit of cake and sweeten her disposition.

**SECOND ST.
LEGER**

Three-year-olds are to have a new race which will be termed the Newmarket St. Leger, with a thousand sovereigns added.

The inaugural race will be decided at Newmarket's second October meeting, on the day following the Cambridgeshire, and is taking the place of the Jockey Club's Cup event.

There will be no penalties and no allowance and it is virtually a repetition of the New St. Leger, being over the same distance of one mile and six furlongs.

The St. Leger winner, Sun Castle, has been retired for the season and will not participate, but the Derby winner, Owen Tudor, is likely to run.—Reuter.

**KILLED BY CHEWING
GUM**

Chewing gum killed Trevor Williams, 20, at Auckland, New Zealand. He collapsed on the playing field and died of asphyxiation before a doctor arrived. A piece of gum two inches long was found in his throat.

**NAZI'S DREAD
OF TERRIBLE
WAR**

"I WISH TO GOD THOSE OF US WHO ARE STILL WHOLE MAY BE SPARED, AND THAT THERE WON'T REMAIN TOO FEW OF US."

Private Sieberg, of the 35th German Regiment, now a Russian prisoner, wrote this in his diary.

The Soviet Embassy in London publishes extracts from the German soldier's diary under the heading, "Vengeance for Dunkirk."

Private Sieberg's entry added: "Now we, too, have experienced what this terrible war means."

"This morning Soviet bombers attacked us from a low altitude, and we thought that our last hour had come."

"Flying in groups of six, they appeared nine times in one day."

**CANAL
"SPY"
GAOLED**

A 19-year-old messenger at the Spanish legation in Balboa, who carried an unaddressed letter offering to secure "satisfactory" information about the Panama Canal, was sentenced to gaol for 30 days and fined \$25 on conviction of trespassing on the Panama Canal Reservation.

The defendant, Jose del Rio Cumbria, a Spaniard, told the police he came from Havana, and accepted temporary employment at the Legation.

He was arrested at the Pacific entrance to the Canal carrying a camera strapped under his coat, two rolls of film, and a letter written on Spanish legation stationery saying he was coming to Panama and hoped to get information about the canal.

He also carried maps of the European battle fronts.

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CRAIGENGOWER WERE WITHOUT TWO GOOD MEN, BUT NO EXCUSE POSSIBLE FOR POLICE

By "Skip"

Scene: a Volunteer Company Office. Time: 0615 hrs on Sunday morning. Two copies of the "Sunday Herald" are brought in and your "Skip" opens one at the bowls page. "Good Lord" he exclaims, "What's the matter?" asks his companion, "have they taken Leningrad?" "No," I reply "but Indians beat Craigen-gower." Collapse of said companion!

Little less surprising to my mind was the defeat of Police third team by Craigen-gower, even though the game was on the latter's green. The home team did not look especially strong, whilst Jock Orem turned out as three to MacDonald.

Police are still sitting pretty though, especially in view of the fact that one of their outstanding games—the last one of the season—is against Kowloon Bowling Green Club, who narrowly lead in this division. The game is to be played at the Valley and as the Police won at Austin Road recently they must be full of confidence.

Craigen-gower Unlucky

CRAIGENGOWER were unlucky in that they had two good men absent. Rossetti was on Volunteer duty and Landolt had been selected to skip in his place, but Alf Coates just did not arrive and a substitute in Penney had to be sent for. Luckily, he was standing by in the Craigen-gower Club. This delay precluded my seeing more than a couple of ends, which was disappointing to me, but duty called at 5.30.

"Wardie" took Coates's place as three to Bradbury, while Bill Penney filling up as second man, but the combination was not nearly strong enough to hold Abbas on his own private rink, as I have previously called it. He has missed playing on it only once this season! Bradbury, it is only just to add, was far from well, and I hear he was directing the heads from a chair on the bank at one stage of the game.

A. K. Minu touched his best form against Joe Landolt, who was never in the hunt and scored only three singles and a two. His team were being outboxed all the way, although Razack put up some sort of a show against a strong lead in Khan. The rest of Landolt's men were surprisingly weak and seemed to have no fight left after the first few heads.

Omar did the expected, and it looks as if he will go through the season unbeaten. I believe C. G. Silva performed this feat some time ago, but I have not my records by me. I must look it up. He was playing brilliantly during the couple of heads I saw, saving

LAST 8 IN WOMEN'S GOLF EVENT

THE LAST EIGHT IN THE AMERICAN WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP, WHICH IS BEING PLAYED AT BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS, ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Mrs. Torgerson, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Goldthwaite, Miss Helen Giger, Miss Sylvia Lechner, Miss Clara Callender, Mrs. Hicks and Miss Janet Younker.

Miss Younker, conqueror of the holder, Miss Betty Jameson, in the first round, again played well to beat Miss Maureen Norcutt, former finalist and Curtis Cup player, in the third round by 7 and 6, while Miss Sylvia Lechner surprised Miss Marion Miley, another Curtis Cup player, with a win at the 20th in the same round.

The big surprise at this stage was the elimination of Mrs. Vane, formerly Miss Glenna Collett, who had won the title six times previously. She lost by 5 and 4 to Miss Clara Callender.—Reuter.

TO-MORROW'S MATCHES

Following is to-morrow's programme of postponed Lawn Bowls League games.

FIRST DIVISION	
P.R.C.	v C.C.C.
K.B.G.C. "A"	v C.S.C.C.
K.B.G.C. "B"	v I.R.C.
K.D.R.C.	v Recreio "B"
SECOND DIVISION	
K.T.G.C.A.	v H.K.C.C.
Talkoo	v K.C.C.
C.C.C.	v K.F.C.
THIRD DIVISION	
H.K.C.C.	v P.R.C.
K.F.C.	v H.K.E.R.C.
I.R.C.	v Recreio

bowling first, unsuccessfully tried a draw, but Aitken made it look child's play by drawing the first end, and just by way of an exhibition shot—possibly for my benefit—he drew the second one. The draw was not an easy one, especially as the kitty was at the road end. His subsequent win by half a dozen shots was the only point the Police secured though, for both Carey and MacDonald went down.

George Ladd claimed the former as his victim by 9 shots, Francis Lee as lead having a big say in the success.

Lionel Lammert was, I am told, rather jossy to beat MacDonald, horrible wicks when the enemy lay five on two occasions, contributing to his favourable result.

BOWLS LEAGUE RECORDS TO DATE

Following are the 1941 Lawn Bowls League records to date.

HIGHEST AGGREGATE
1st Division—103, Craigen-gower C.C. v Civil Service at C.C.C.
2nd Division—91, Kowloon F.C. v Talkoo at K.F.C.
3rd Division—109, Police R.C. v Recreio at P.R.C.

LOWEST AGGREGATE
1st Division—29, Kowloon Dock v Craigen-gower at C.C.C.
2nd Division—39, Talkoo v Kowloon F.C. at K.F.C.
3rd Division—29, H.K. Electric v Hong Kong F.C. at H.K.F.C.

BIGGEST AGGREGATE WIN
1st Division—43, Craigen-gower v Civil Service at C.C.C. and Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v Recreio "B" at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—54, Kowloon F.C. v Kowloon C.C. at K.F.C.
3rd Division—72, Police R.C. v Recreio at P.R.C.

HIGHEST RINK SCORE
1st Division—41, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreio "B" rink at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—40, J. C. Chalmers's Talkoo rink (J. Nimmo, F. Thompson and F. Hillon) v T. Carr's Kowloon C.C. rink at K.C.C.
3rd Division—40, C. Wallis's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. Dinnen, A. Bower and G. E. F. Thompson) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink at Ming Yuen; and J. C. Aitken's Police R.C. rink (J. Hayward, J. S. Riddell and J. M. McWalter) v P. R. Yvanovich's Recreio rink at P.R.C.

LOWEST RINK SCORE
1st Division—4, L. J. Silva's Recreio "B" rink (F. A. Machado, E. L. Barros and A. F. Noronha) v J. McKelvie's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (R. P. Phillips, A. Hyde-Lay and H. E. Drew) at Recreio.
2nd Division—4, W. J. Bagley's Prison Officers' rink (A. W. Fitzcerald, J. Jamieson and J. W. Hiltzgerald) v J. L. Stephens's K. Tong rink (N. A. E. Mackay, T. K. Lim and J. N. Wong) at Stanley.
3rd Division—5, J. Russell's H.K. Football Club rink (A. Bailey, J. Ralston and B. I. Blackford) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink (W. Stoker, C. E. Gahagan and R. C. Butler) at Ming Yuen; and P. Yvanovich's Recreio rink (P. Almeida, A. M. Silva and E. A. R. Alves) v R. M. Ogden's Kowloon F.C. rink (G. Cross, C. Woodcock and A. MacIntyre) at K.F.C.

BIGGEST RINK WIN
1st Division—36, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreio "B" rink at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—34, J. C. Chalmers's Talkoo rink (J. Nimmo, F. Thompson and F. Hillon) v T. Carr's Kowloon C.C. rink at K.C.C.
3rd Division—33, J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink (W. Stoker, C. E. Gahagan and R. C. Butler) v J. Russell's H.K. Football Club rink at Ming Yuen.

SKIP WINS MATCH
1st Division—J. F. Macgowan (Civil Service) v E. C. Fletcher (Kowloon C.C.); T. A. Madar (Kowloon C.C.) v J. J. Basto (Recreio "B"); J. McKelvie (Kowloon B.G.C. "A") v L. J. Silva (Recreio "B"); C. A. Lopes (Recreio "B") v J. W. Deakin (Civil Service); A. M. Calman (K. Dock) v T. A. Madar (Kowloon C.C.); J. Shepherd (Police R.C.) v M. Ferguson (K. Dock); and U. M. Omar (Craigen-gower C.C.) v A. R. Dallah (Indian R.C.).

2nd Division—A. J. Kew (K. Tong) v R. S. Meadows (Kowloon C.C.); W. Macfarlane (H.K. Football Club) v J. R. Soares (Recreio); K. S. Robertson (H.K. Football Club) v E. Kern (Kowloon F.C.) and J. R. Soares (Recreio); J. M. Jack (Kowloon C.C.) v K. S. Robertson (H.K. Football Club); G. E. Costello (H.K. Cricket Club) v J. McCutcheon (Prison Officers) and W. Melrose (Talkoo); J. L. Stephens (K. Tong) v W. J. Bagley (Prison Officers); W. Parsons (Kowloon C.C.) v M. J. Medina (Craigen-gower C.C.); and W. J. Bagley (Prison Officers) v E. Kern (Kowloon F.C.) and J. A. Watson (Talkoo).

3rd Division—M. F. Alarcon (Recreio) v A. McKellar (H.K.C.C.); C. F. Needham (H.K. Football Club) v R. M. Ogden (Kowloon F.C.); S. M. Rumjahn (Indian R.C.) v P. C. Morgan (H.K. Football Club); C. Wallis (Kowloon B.G.C.) v S. H. Strange (H.K. Football Club) and E. S. Abraham (H.K. Cricket Club); A. M. Wahab (Indian R.C.) v A. E. Carey (Police R.C.); E. A. Yvanovich (Recreio) v G. S. Graver (H.K. Football Club); A. J. Coelho (Craigen-gower C.C.) v P. A. Yvanovich (Recreio); H. Nish (Kowloon B.G.C.) v A. M. Wahab (Indian R.C.); R. M. Ogden (Kowloon F.C.) v P. A. Yvanovich (Recreio) and J. C. Aitken (Police) v H. Nish (Kowloon B.G.C.).

"POSSIBLES" (EIGHT)

1st Division—A. R. Dallah's Indian R.C. rink (J. Hoosen, A. K. Ismail and U. A. Rumjahn) v P. A. Peckham's Kowloon B.G.C. "B" rink at Sookunpo.

2nd Division—W. J. Howard's K. Tong rink (H. Gittins, W. M. Gittins and A. E. H. Castro) v W. J. Bagley's Prison Officers' rink at K. Tong; G. E. Costello's H.K. Cricket Club rink (S. L. Lloyd, J. G. Haigh and H. G. Wallington) v R. S. Meadows's Kowloon C.C. rink at H.K.C.C.; and E. Kern's Kowloon F.C. rink (W. Naef, A. Eastman and C. Dowman) v C. Goward's Prison Officers' rink at Stanley.

3rd Division—C. Wallis's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. Dinnen, A. Bower and G. E. F. Thompson) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink at Ming Yuen.

SEVENS

1st Division—R. Duncan's Kowloon B.G.C. "B" rink (V. C. Dixon, W. C. Hodder and H. Lockhart) v B. Basto's Recreio "B" rink at K.B.G.C.; R. Duncan's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (W. L. Walker, E. Levett and J. McKelvie) v J. C. S. Fender's Police R.C. rink at P.R.C.; B. W. Bradbury's Craigen-gower C.C. rink (L. C. R. Souza, N. P. Karanjia and A. E. Coates) v J. Kempton's K. Dock rink at C.C.C.; A. J. Hall's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (R. P. Phillips, H. Lockhart and H. White) v R. F. Luz's Recreio "A" rink at K.B.G.C.; F. X. Silva's Recreio "A" rink (L. F. Xavier, H. A. Alves and J. E. Noronha) v U. M. Omar's Craigen-gower C.C. rink at C.C.C.; W. Mal's Police R.C. rink (C. Gough, C. Pile and G. Perkins) v F. X. Silva's Recreio "A" rink at P.R.C.; C. S. Rossetti's Craigen-gower C.C. rink (A. A. Razack, L. Gaddi and J. S. Landolt) v E. C. Fletcher's Kowloon C.C. rink at K.C.C.; U. M. Omar's Craigen-gower C.C. rink (A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar and R. Basa) v A. J. Hall's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink at C.C.C.; and A. R. Dallah's Indian R.C. rink at C.C.C. (including a seven and a six at consecutive ends); and J. F. V. Ribeiro's Recreio "A" rink (J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques and L. F. Xavier) v M. N. Rajtusen's Civil Service rink at C.S.C.C.

OMAR RETAINS SAME RINK IN BID FOR 100 PER CENT. RECORD

Only the 100 per cent. Omar's rink in Craigen-gower's First Division League Bowls team for to-morrow remains unchanged for this week-end. In Bradbury's four the front men will be Souza, Hong Sling and Coates as against Leonard, Penny and Ward last week, while Rossetti will return to the side as skip and will lead Razack, Lammert and Landolt. Last week Landolt was skip with Razack, Coelho and Souza as his front men.

Electric Recreation Club have made a number of changes in their Third Division team for this week, two of the rinks being completely reshuffled as far as the front men are concerned.

In Craigen-gower's rink Crawford and Gregory, Nos. 1 and 2 respectively, have changed positions. Butler, who had Owens, Groome and Barron in his rink the last time, will have Groome, Way and Stoker this time. Lunny's rink will be Stonehouse, Everett and Paul, as against Way, Stonehouse and Stoker when they last played.

No changes have been effected in Police First Division team, but in Third Division, Riddell and Nolan, who were Nos. 2 and 3 to Aitken the last time, have changed positions.

A few changes are noted in K.B.G.C. "A" team in First Division. Holland's rink remains intact, but in Hall's rink Lockhart will be lead instead of McNeill, the latter going as No. 2 to Duncan, the position filled by Meyer the last time they played.

There are no changes in the "B" team, except that Meyer will take over the rink skipped by Lockhart in their last game.

Kowloon Football Club's Second Division team is changed about a bit. Field will have a new No. 3 in Atienza, who replaces Chittenden, the latter taking over Kern's rink, in which Simpson, Eastman and Kern himself are the front men. No changes have been made in Youngusband's four.

In Third Division both Ogden and Ferguson retain their former rinks, but in Downman's four Fuller moves up to No. 2 from No. 3 to take Thompson's place. Lapsley, newcomer to this rink, will be Downman's right-hand man.

Kowloon Tong, like the rest of the clubs, are also making a few changes in their side. Spary's four is not changed, but in Stephens's quartette Mackay, absent from the last game, in fortnight ago, when Roza deputised in his absence, returns to his normal position as lead. Kew's rink sees no change, also in the No. 1 position, with Castro coming into the four in place of Tang.

Two of the Kowloon Dock rinks are the same as when played last. In the third, with Cullen as skip, Houston replaces Williamson as No. 1.

Following are the selected teams:

Selected Teams

CRAIGENGOWER

First Division (v Police R.C., away, at 4.30 p.m.):—L. C. R. Souza, W. Hong Sling, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip); A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, R. Basa and U. M. Omar (skip); A. A. Razack, L. E. Lammert, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rossetti (skip).
Second Division (v Kowloon F.C., home, at 4.30 p.m.):—B. I. Blackford, W. E. Broadbridge, E. Zimmerman and T. Lock (skip); J. H. Xavier, D. A. Rozario, H. W. Randall and W. K. Way (skip); W. J. Penny, E. S. Franks, G. S. Ladd and W. Ward (skip).

KOWLOON B.G.C.

"A" First Division (v C.S.C.C., home, at 4 p.m.):—L. Guy, G. W. Deacon, A. Hyde-Lay and A. M. Holland (skip); H. Lockhart, H. White, A. Bower and A. J. Hall (skip); W. L. Walker, W. McNeill, E. Levett and R. Duncan (skip).

"B" First Division (v I.R.C., home, at 4 p.m.):—A. J. Rogers, V. C. Dixon, P. A. Peckham and L. Sykes (skip); R. P. Phillips, E. A. Atkins, J. C. Gill and J. McKelvie (skip); P. Holloway, G. W. Elphick, I. Newton and J. G. Meyer (skip).

KOWLOON F.C.

Second Division (v Craigen-gower C.C., away, at 4 p.m.):—B. D. Evans, A. A. Dang, V. Atienza and W. V. Field (skip); W. C. Simpson, A. E. Eastman, E. Kern and V. Chittenden (skip); A. Lapsley, W. C. Ogley, W. Hyde and P. Youngusband (skip).

Third Division (v Electric R.C., home, at 4 p.m.):—E. Lau, C. H. Fuller, R. Lapsley and C. Dowman (skip); G. E. Cross, C. Woodcock, A. MacIntyre and R. M. Ogden (skip); G. Frost, Y. Abbas, W. Naef and T. Ferguson (skip). Reserve: A. Thompson.

KOWLOON TONG

Second Division (v H.K.C.C., home):—H. A. Castro, A. Madar, J. Smith and A. J. Kew (skip); N. A. E. Mackay, T. K. Lim, J. N. Wong and J. L. Stephens (skip); H. Gittins, M. S. Phoon, A. E. Castro and A. Spary (skip). Reserve: J. Tang.

ELECTRIC R.C.

Third Division (v Kowloon F.C., away):—W. Stonehouse, A. G. Everett, A. F. Paul and J. F. Lunny (skip); R. F. Gregory, G. W. K. Crawford, W. E. Macfarlane and A. G. Gardner (skip); E. L. Groome, J. R. Way, W. Stoker and R. C. Butler (skip).

POLICE R.C.

First Division (v Craigen-gower C.C., home):—W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dail and J. Shepherd (skip); C. H. Gough, J. M. Forrest, E. G. Post and J. E. Fender (skip); W. J. Cameron, C. Pile, W. McHardy and W. E. Hollands (skip). Reserve: J. Hendridge.

Third Division (v Hong Kong C.C., away):—J. E. Hayward, F. Nolan, J. Riddell and J. C. Aitken (skip); A. Souter, W. M. Smith, J. Orem and J. W. Macdonald (skip); L. C. Fenell, A. J. Johnson, F. Channing and A. E. Carey (skip). Reserve: G. Willerton.

Lawn Bowls results will be found on Page Fifteen.

ARMY RUGBY WITHOUT DOUGLASS, HOOK, DUKE & BERRY THIS SEASON

By "Scrum-Half"

Army Rugby will feel the loss of Douglass, Hook, Duke and Berry this season, but I understand they have several very useful newcomers, among whom is Capt. Rose, who played in the Edinburgh Wanderers' pack prior to the outbreak of war.

S.C.A.A.'s THIRD TITLE

South China Athletic Association won their third League Tennis Championship of the season when, at King's Park yesterday, they beat Chinese Recreation Club (1) by 8 sets to 1 in Third Division of the League.

The new champions—C.R.C. won it last season—thus went through the season without a defeat, having won 69½ sets out of 70 possible 90.

This is the first time in the history of the Club that they have won three titles in a single season, and as their First Division team also stand an excellent chance of finishing on top of their section, a South China clean sweep would not come as a surprise to followers of the game.

Yesterday's scores were:—
K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong (S.C.A.A.) beat T. F. Lo and H. N. Chiu 6-2
Beat C. Wei and H. Chung 6-3
Beat P. H. Chiu and K. Y. Chan 6-4
C. P. Ip and C. L. Lau (S.C.A.A.) beat Lo and Chan 6-2
Beat Wei and Chung 2-6
Beat Chiu and Chan 6-2
K. C. Wong and K. C. Sit (S.C.A.A.) beat Lo and Chan 6-2
Beat Wei and Chung 6-3
Beat Chiu and Chan 6-2

Table To Date

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
S.C.A.A.	10	10	0	0	69½	20½	20
A.T.C.	9	8	1	0	53	19	16
C.C.C.	7	6	1	0	39	24	12
C.R.C. (2)	9	6	3	0	55	26	12
C.D.R.	8	5	2	1	42½	39½	11
K.I.T.C.	8	4	3	1	39½	32½	9
K.O.C.	10	3	7	0	28½	61½	6
C.R.C. (1)	7	2	5	0	24½	39½	4
K.T.G.C.A.	7	2	5	0	18	45	4
H.K.U.T.C.	8	1	7	0	24½	47½	2
I.R.C.	10	0	10	0	19	71	0

Club May Enter League

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB ARE CONSIDERING ENTERING THE CRICKET LEAGUE, JUDGING BY A CIRCULAR SENT OUT YESTERDAY TO MEMBERS INTERESTED IN CRICKET.

Practice nets will be up on Monday next and the first inter-club game will be on Saturday, September 27.

The Club did not enter the League last season.

Road ground, which in time will be Army Rugby Headquarters instead of the concrete-like Sookun-poo ground. It is a commendable scheme and will also even up matters, Police and Army being in Kowloon and Club and Navy in Hong Kong.

Royal Scots have Capt. Rose as compensation for the loss of Douglass, Duke and Fergus, and their team will be selected from: Cuthbertson, Pinkerton, Millar, Ford, Hunter, Stevenson, Nealon, Sutherland, Marshall (soccer permitting), Bateman, Durie, Garrie (soccer permitting), Hanson, Fairlie and Parnaby (soccer permitting).

Army were quite the most disappointing team in the Quadrangular Tournament last season, but they are confident of putting up a much better show this time. All will again depend on their backs.

Players available are as follows: BACKS—Clague, Macdonald, Richards, Coombes, Ploton, Wedderburn, Barclay, Willie, Morgan, Gracie, Easterbrook, Pearce (on Wednesdays), Giblin, Hamlin, Birrell, Foley, Marsh, Skipwith, Weedon and Man.

FORWARDS—Sutherland, Ford, Bompas, Millar, Heath, Page, Pinkerton, Gillam, Edlison, Cuthbertson, Hewitt, Evans, Bedford, Martin, Davis, Sheldrake, Brinkley, Apperley and McDermott.

As much Rugger as possible will be played on the Prince Edward

RIGGS TOUCHES WORLD BEATING STANDARD

At noon Saturday Frank Kovacs would have told you he was the best tennis player in the world to-day, and meant it, writes an American correspondent on August 4: But to show what a difference a few hours can make, by 6 p.m. the proper and authorised quotation was:

"BOBBY RIGGS IS THE BEST TENNIS PLAYER IN THE WORLD TO-DAY. HE'S A CHAMPION, ALL RIGHT."

This abrupt about-face was caused by the 6-2, 6-2, 6-3 triumph Riggs scored over the lanky Californian in the 51st Meadow Club Invitation tournament's final match. Thereby Riggs won Kovacs' wholesome respect.

Outdid Kovacs

"A couple of days ago I thought I'd win the national title in a breeze," said Frankie. "But now I'm not so sure. Riggs is better than I thought he was. He outsmarted me, outplayed me, out-fought me and outdid me at everything."

Nor was the Riggs victory as much of a defensive creation as usual. His drop shots had Kovacs muttering to

himself all afternoon, and the Riggs service delivered seven aces. Bobby's service was broken only once, compared to seven breaks against Kovacs.

Bundle Of Smiles

Riggs, cornered after the match, was a bundle of smiles. "I was at the top of my game. I knew that if I let him get away from me once, those big shots of his would blast me off the court," he said. "If I play half as well the rest of the summer, I'll be satisfied. I don't know what got into me to-day, but I hope it stays."

Better Than Budge

Blitsy Grant went so far as to say he thought the Riggs of Saturday could beat Don Budge.

"I didn't think so much of Don anyway," said the Atlanta atom. "He just stood there and slugged. No finesse, no subtlety. Riggs may not have the power strokes, but he's a lot more clever any day. Nobody will beat him this year."

Other Winners

Ted Schroeder of Glendale, Calif., and Gardner Mulloy of Miami, Fla., captured the doubles honours. They defeated Sidney B. Wood, Jr., of Southampton, and Ladislav Hecht of New York, former Czech Davis Cup star, in the final round, 6-4, 6-2, 6-3.

In the mixed doubles final, Nancy Van Vleck of Southampton and Ted

ARMY SERVICE CORPS STRENGTHENED BY TWO EXCELLENT NEWCOMERS

By "Referee"

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS, JUNIOR SHIELD CHAMPIONS AND RUNNERS-UP IN SECOND DIVISION OF THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE LAST SEASON, ARE FULLY CONFIDENT OF BRINGING OFF THE JUNIOR "DOUBLE" AS THEY HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED BY TWO EXCELLENT NEWCOMERS AND HAVE LOST ONLY ONE OF LAST SEASON'S PLAYERS.

THE NEWCOMERS ARE BLEZZARD, A FULL-BACK WHO PLAYED FOR WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS' JUNIOR TEAM AND ALSO BOURNE-MOUTH RESERVES AND WHO, ACCORDING TO A COMPETENT ARMY SOCCER OFFICIAL, SHOULD WALK INTO THE ARMY SIDE AND MOST REPRESENTATIVE GAMES.

The other is Defty, a centre-forward who is expected to add further strength to an already dangerous forward line.

The only departure is Bradshaw, last season's left-back, who has left the Colony.

Mattison, who kept goal for the greater part of last season, will again be seen in goal. Murray, who played some very good games last season, will probably be one of the backs with Blezzard occupying the other position, while Hamlin will be a good understudy.

Same Half-Back Trio

The intermediate line will be unchanged, comprising Smart, Young and Hammond. The last-named came very much into prominence in the closing stages of last season.

In the attack Glen and Martin will be left and right-wingers respectively, and it will be recalled that both were given trials for Army last season. Defty will lead the attack and will be supported by Morgan at inside-right and Weir, who played several games for Army, at inside-left.

Last season Service Corps were obliged to withdraw their Third Division side owing to departures, but they have again entered this division this season, and their team will be composed mostly of newcomers who have not yet been seen in action.

ORDNANCE LOSE STEVENS

ROYAL ARMY ORDNANCE CORPS, who met with varying success in Second Division last season, are one of the few Military teams who have

had no newcomers recently and who will therefore have to depend entirely on last season's team for the coming season.

Ordnance have been greatly hit by the attachment of Stevens, their centre-half, to 24th R.A., as it is reported that he will be turning out for that Battery. He was the mainstay of their defence.

Reynolds, goalkeeper of the English team which won the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup Series last season, will again be seen in goal, with Adams and Jones as the backs.

REYNOLDS

Nicholls will be in his old position at right-half, with Roberts, last season's full-back, occupying the pivotal position vacated by Stevens. The left-half berth will be entrusted to either Russell or Jones as both these players are equally at home at back or at half.

Positional changes can be expected in the attack. Gardner, who was injured last season, will be returning to the side, thus allowing Emberson, last season's right-winger, to play in the inside-right position. Hewittson will lead the attack, with Duffield on the left-wing and Harding at inside-left.

ADAMS

NEWCOMERS TO SNEEL SIDE

SHELL Sports Club, who made their debut in Third Division last season, met with little success but benefited greatly by the experience gained in League Football. They have been strengthened this season by several good players.

Lee Yuen-kuen, brother of the well-known Lee Wai-koo, leader of the now defunct Chinese Athletic side, will be in the attack. He has played plenty of football in Swatow, until recently and was very prominent in school football.

Teddy Tang, a promising youngster from La Salle College, has also joined the team, while it is hoped Dick Alves, ex-Recrelo player, and Mattias, who played for Kowloon Juniors last season, will also be turning out.

Shell, however, have had no opportunity for practice games owing to lack of grounds.

Following are their players:—Tang Chak, Lau Woon, Lau Wing, Cheng U-cheong, L. Woo, Ablong, Cheuk Kalk-chuen, Man Chik, Wan Lo-kwan, Kwok Yik-on, Ho Wing, Ng Kien-hung, Tse Tak-kong, H. Wing Lee, Wong Tse-kee, N. Spence, D. E. Demmee and H. de Sa.

FALLACE STAYING A LITTLE LONGER

Fallace, the Tientsin soccer interpreter, who was reported yesterday to have left the Colony, has delayed his departure and will be assisting Club in a number of games. He will be playing tomorrow for Club against Royal Engineers.

In place of the usual kick-round practice, Club played Sing Tao in a friendly soccer game yesterday and lost by seven clear goals. Sing Tao tried out 25 players during the game.

Yale's poloists walked away with the Inter-collegiate title at Port Chester, N.Y., beating Princeton 13 to 1. Honours for Yale were shared by Capt. George Mead at No. 3, and Dave William at No. 2, each with six scores.

"OCEAN" Golfer's Policy

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Craig Wood's ability to stay clear of hooks and drive his ball straight down the centre of the narrow Colonial Fairways at Ft. Worth was of particular value in winning the National Open title. This factor is all the more outstanding for Wood has more than once lost a major crown by this very fault. In fact the situation was so serious when Wood was 35 that he decided to change his entire game to eliminate his hooking tendencies.

Whereas Wood had formerly been putting in plenty of right hand punch in his strokes, with the hand well under the shaft, he switched to placing the right hand on top. This counteracted a habit of wrist rolling. It also set the stage for a shift from an open club face at the top of the stroke to a closed one. In many cases this very procedure results in a hook. In Wood's case, it happened to be insurance against it. Now his



clubface is square to the ball and the line of flight through-out. The clubface maintains this position during the stroke, the only departure coming at the point of impact when Wood consciously opens the face a little to add a trace of fade to the ball. This facilitates control.

OMAR BROTHERS WIN IN PAIRS EVENT BUT ARE NOT IMPRESSIVE

IN THE QUARTER-FINAL OF THE COLONY LAWN BOWLS PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP YESTERDAY A. M. OMAR AND U. M. OMAR BEAT H. R. PINNA AND B. BASTO 21-15 ON POLICE R.C. GREEN.

ANNUAL MEETING OF C.B.A.

The annual general meeting of Central British Association was held at King's Park yesterday, the Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell being in the chair, supported by Mr. T. S. D. Whitley, Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. Semmelmann, Hon. Treasurer, and Miss N. Witchell.

Reading a report of activities during the year under review, Mr. Whitley said that the evacuation had deprived the Association of many lady members and had also robbed the Association of one of its main sources of supply of new members—the Central British School.

Presenting his financial report, Mr. Semmelmann disclosed that the year under review was in every way satisfactory and reported a profit of \$1,450.38.

A proposal that the membership fee for men be raised to \$20 per annum and for women to \$15 per annum, payable half-yearly, was defeated.

Debenture Issue

A further proposal that the question of issuing 5 per cent. mortgage debentures, with the Club-house as security, be considered was adopted and referred to a sub-committee for further consideration.

Mr. Taylor proposed and it was passed that the Association issue and put on sale for six months three hundred \$10 five per cent. mortgage debentures to Club members, such debentures to be repayable over 10 years at the rate of 30 a year to be drawn by lots.

Before the meeting closed, Mr. W. Mulcahy stated that a number of members had suggested the formation of a cricket team this year. It was agreed that the Committee appoint a sub-committee to handle the suggestion.

The following officers for the year 1941-42 were elected.—President, Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell; Vice-President, Mr. J. J. King; Hon. Secretary, Mr. D. T. Smith; Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mr. N. M. Witchell; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. T. L. Lockhart; Committee, Mrs. I. Joyce, Mrs. G. Davies, Messrs. C. Semmelmann, G. Arnold, T. S. D. Whitley, G. Gurevitch, W. Mulcahy and C. McEwen.



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Basto and his partner started off with 1 2 2, but the feature of the game was that, apart from their 5, the Omars did not register a bigger count than 2, and they had four of these.

The game was well-contested, but if the Omars are going to wrest the title from H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, who have held it for two years, they will have to produce a better brand of bowls than they did last evening.

The scores were:—
OMAR: 0 0 0 1 1 2 0 5 1 2 0 2 0 1 1
1 1 0 1 2 0 = 21
BASTO: 1 2 2 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 2 0 0
0 0 3 0 0 3 = 15

Post in 2nd Round

At Kowloon Football Club yesterday, E. G. Post beat J. J. Basto by 21-13 after 22 ends in the First Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.

It was anybody's game up to the 17th, when Post was leading by only 4 shots—14-10—but after that his opponent could manage only 1 1 0 2 against a couple of threes and a single chalked up by him.

Basto actually led 9-8 at the 12th, but was then blanked at four ends for Post to lead 14-9.

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MINIATURE FOOTBALL

Two matches in the miniature football competition sponsored by St. Joseph's Football Club were decided on the Causeway Bay ground last evening, when Koon Kwan beat Engineers 9-1 and Chin Tsun lost to South China 3-2.

Ho Yau-ki (3), Soong Ling-sing (4) and Chu Kam-shing (2) scored for Koon Kwan while Shaw scored Sappers' solitary goal.

In the second encounter, Cheung Kam-hoi netted for Chin Tsun from a penalty, and Cheung Kam-hoi scored the second. Chow Man-chi and Lee Shek-yau (2) netted for South China.

TO-DAY'S MATCH

At the Navy ground, at 5.45 p.m. to-day, Ah Q will meet Koon Kwan.

BASKETBALL TO-NIGHT

Two matches in the Open Basketball League will be played at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. this evening, when National University meet Ping Ching and South China clash with Indian Police.

HOCKEY ON SKATES

Second Round fixtures of the Hockey League on roller skates, sponsored by "Chi Yin Yat Po," were arranged yesterday, and two matches will be decided to-night as follows:—

At Kowloon Skating Rink (8 p.m.)
K.S.R. "B" v K.S.R. "A"
At King's Skating Rink (6.30 p.m.)
King's v Blitz

S/Sgt. Emberton beat L/Cpl. Glasgow 6-2, 6-3 in the Army Singles Tennis Championship at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Miss Phoebe Lo won the Lawn Tennis Girls' School when she beat Miss Poley Kotewall 7-6, 6-2 in the Final on Wednesday.

Colony Aquatic Mark Bettered By Ng Nin

Ng Nin, joint holder of the Colony record for the 50 Yards free-style event with D. M. Taylor, yesterday shattered the old mark of 24 4/5 secs. when, swimming in the heats for the forthcoming Colony Championships at V.R.C., he was clocked at 24 3/5 seconds.

Immediately preceding this, Tsui Hang, swimming in the first heat of the same event, was clocked at 25 secs. Opinion varies whether he, too, would not have broken the record had he not stopped almost half-way through the second lap when he lost his cap and hit the side of the bath all at the same time!

Miss Vivienne Churn, Colony ladies' 100 Yards free-style champion, had bad luck in that a faulty turn in the women's 50 Yards breast-stroke caused her disqualification after she had finished an easy winner in her particular heat.

In the Men's 150 Yards Medley Relay Race, E. A. Roberts' failure, after his first two men, N. Hammond (back-stroke) and D. Hutchinson (breast-stroke) had given him an excellent lead, forced European Y.M.C.A. into third place in their heat.

In the men's 220 Yards free-style Chan Chun-nam, Colony champion, was beaten into second place by Yau Sai-kwan, but the outstanding feature of this event was the excellent showing of Lau



NG NIN

Tai-ping, who, though not seriously challenged, covered the distance in 2 mins. 28 1/5 secs., as against Yau's 2 mins. 30 1/5 secs!

Following were the results:—

Men's 50 Yards free-style:—First Heat: 1, *Tsui Hang (25 secs.); 2, *Wong Chi-hang; 3, Lo Yuk-wing. Second Heat: 1, *Ng Nin (24 3/5 secs. Record); 2, *D. Hutchinson; 3, *Shek Kam-pul.

V.R.C. Women's 50 Yards Handicap:—First Heat: *Miss Y. Yolle; 2, *Mrs. J. Crawford; 3, *Miss M. Gutierrez. Second Heat: 1, *Miss C. Yolle; 2, *Miss Y. Remedios; 3, *Miss T. Yanovich.

Men's 220 Yards free-style:—First Heat: 1, *Yau Sai-kwan (2 mins. 32 secs.); 2, *Chan Chun-nam; 3, *C. Huang. Second Heat: 1, *Lau Tai-ping (2 mins. 28 1/5 secs.); 2, *Chiu Wai-lin.

V.R.C. Women's 25 Yards back-stroke:—First Heat: 1, *Miss Y. Yolle; 2, *Miss T. Noronha; 3, *Miss J. Yolle. Second Heat: 1, *Miss C. Yolle; 2, *Miss M. Gutierrez; 3, *Miss U. Khoo.

Women's 50 Yards breast-stroke:—First Heat: 1, *Miss Tsang Fung-kwan (30 2/5 secs.); 2, *Miss Li Po-luen; 3, *Miss M. Noronha. Second Heat: 1, *Miss Ho Wai-man (40 secs.); 2, *Miss Chan Choi-pan. Miss Vivienne Churn was disqualified for a faulty turning.

Men's 150 Yards medley relay Race: First Heat: 1, *Sing Tao (1 min. 30 secs.); 2, *Eastern; 3, *European "Y". Second Heat: 1, *V.R.C. (1 min. 29 secs.); 2, *Lai Tsun; 3, University. *Qualifies for final.

To-day's Heats

Following heats will be decided this evening commencing at 6.07 p.m. Colony Championship:

Men's 440 Yards free-style.
Men's 220 Yards breast-stroke.
Women's 100 Yards breast-stroke.
Women's 50 Yards free-style.

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CHUNGKING ATTITUDE

Divided Views On U.S.-Japanese Talks

TOWN FINED FOR SABOTAGE

The inhabitants of the important industrial town of Enschede, in eastern Holland, have been fined 50,000 guilders by the German commissar for "committing acts of sabotage," it was learned in Dutch circles in London yesterday. Nature of the sabotage was not stated.—Reuter.

YOSHIZAWA PRESTIGE

The appointment, announced on Wednesday, of Mr. Yoshizawa as special envoy in Indo China, has aroused considerable interest in Saigon.

It is felt that his setback in the N.E.I. has clearly caused no loss of personal prestige and Japan is using his unrivalled knowledge of southern Pacific conditions to coordinate their more obvious gains.

AS SPECIAL ENVOY, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR, HE WILL HAVE FULL POWERS TO CONSOLIDATE RELATIONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND INDO-

Main Topic Of Interest

THE EVE OF President Roosevelt's eagerly-awaited broadcast finds the discussions between the United States and Japan still the main topic of interest in Chungking, with opinions apparently divided.

Some quarters still see the possibility of compromise arrangements being made between the two countries while others think a settlement is unlikely.

Chinese reports from Washington indicate that no settlement has yet been reached, and similar views are shared by American circles.

That the United States will not come to an agreement with Japan on the Far Eastern situation, except in the form of a basic settlement, is the belief expressed in Chungking.

The suggestion from Tokyo that if the United States resumed oil shipments to Japan the latter would not interfere with American oil shipments to Russia, via Vladivostok, was described by the official "Central Daily News" as "another Konoye trick."

Breathing Space

Declaring Japan apparently is using this as a bargaining point in the present discussions the paper adds: Tokyo's suggestion that she would not interfere with

oil shipments via Vladivostok if the United States would resume oil shipments to Japan proves she is insincere towards the Axis and the United States alike.

"She is now trying to break the Anglo-American economic pressure."

"If Japan is allowed another breathing space the Democracies will miss a great opportunity to check Japanese aggression." — Reuter.

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Belgian Valour

The authentic story of how the Belgian Army fought desperately to the last of its reserves to help save the British Army at Dunkirk, was told yesterday for the first time in "Belgium — the official account of what happened in 1939 to 1940."

The book, published by the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in London, contains a photograph of a "charred German document which proves that Hitler had completed by January, 1940, detailed plans for an invasion of the Low Countries."

"The capitulation occurred at the last extremity," states the record. "The Belgian Army, having done its utmost to cover the British forces going to Dunkirk, did not lay down its arms until it could continue the struggle no longer." — Reuter.

STOP PRESS

A lengthy conversation took place yesterday between Mr. Clarence Gauss, the American Ambassador in Chungking, and the Chinese Foreign Minister, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, at the latter's official residence.

The topics discussed are not revealed but it is generally presumed that they touched on the present American-Japanese talks in Washington.—Central News.

The following is the text of the Soviet midnight communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau:—

"On Sept. 11 our troops stubbornly fought the enemy along the entire front."

"Our air force, in cooperation with land troops, dealt blows to enemy panzer troops, infantry and artillery and destroyed aircraft on his aerodromes."

"On Sept. 9, 81 German planes were destroyed in air combats, by A.A. fire and on aerodromes. We lost 41 planes."—Reuter.

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JAPAN'S
DEFENCE
MOVE

Establishment of a General Defence Headquarters for Japan may be viewed as a further indication of the preparations in that country for an ultimate worsening of the world situation.

GENERAL YAMADA CHIEF OF THE NEW HEADQUARTERS, BECOMES VIRTUAL DICTATOR IN MATTERS OF EMPIRE DEFENCE.

He is responsible only to the Emperor and remains on the War Council as well as holding the post of Inspector-General of Military Education.

ALL JAPANESE MORNING NEWSPAPERS YESTERDAY GAVE PROMINENCE TO THE NEW DEFENCE MEASURE, WHICH IS ATTRIBUTED TO "THE AGGRAVATION OF THE SITUATION WHICH FINDS JAPAN SURROUNDED ON FOUR SIDES." — REUTER.

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ICELAND
FREIGHTER
TORPEDOED

The official German news agency quotes a Reykjavik report that the Icelandic freighter "Hekla" was sunk on June 29 on a voyage to America. Of the crew of 20 only six were saved.

There were no Americans among the crew of the Hekla.

Thor Thors, Consul-General in New York for Iceland, said the "Hekla" was torpedoed without warning in daylight on June 29 and sank in two or three minutes.

The Icelandic colours were painted plainly on her sides when she left Reykjavik two days earlier.

She was sunk about 500 miles south-west of Iceland and the survivors spent ten and a half days on a raft before being rescued. — Reuter.

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SIR ALEXANDER
ROGER INVESTED

The King invested Sir Alexander Roger with the insignia of the K.C.I.E. in London yesterday. Sir Alexander was Chairman of the Ministry of Supply mission to India. — Reuter.

Plain Language
To Nazis Likely

(By Reuter's Correspondent in Washington)

I LEARN THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IS EXPECTED TO DISCLOSE THE SINKING OF YET ANOTHER AMERICAN STEAMER IN THE ATLANTIC A FEW DAYS AGO WHEN HE SPEAKS.

IMPROVED
OUTLOOK

-by Mr. Fadden

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Mr. A. W. Fadden, Australian Premier, said in Sydney that the Government had received official information indicating an improved outlook in the Pacific.

Mr. Fadden added he was keeping in closest touch with London and Washington.

The remarks were made shortly after the Army Minister, Mr. Spender, announced the arrival of the first consignment of American tanks in Australia. Mr. Spender said deliveries henceforth would be continuous. — International News Service.

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RUSHING
AID TO
RUSSIA

Reuter's political correspondent learns that all possible aid is being sent to Russia.

The Prime Minister revealed in the Commons yesterday that hundreds of planes had already been sent there but this does not represent by any means the total assistance already sent.

In some directions aid given represents half the available stocks at the time of despatch, and though for obvious military reasons details cannot be given, assistance for Russia covers the widest possible field and the most up-to-date and speedy methods of delivery.

IF THEY ARE NOT ALREADY IN RUSSIA'S FIGHTING LINE BRITISH MACHINES, FLOWN BY RUSSIAN PILOTS, WILL SOON BE APPEARING THERE.

Lord Beaverbrook and Mr. Hartman, leader of the U.S. delegation, are expected to arrive in Moscow shortly to discuss with the Russian Government the future programme of aid. — Reuter.

The speech will unquestionably be strong, and competent observers think it will be the most important he has made since the war began.

The President will be dealing with the German attacks on the "Steel Seafarer," and "Sessa" and another at present unnamed steamer.

The latest attack has given colour to the belief held in some quarters in Washington that Berlin is deliberately exciting the U.S. to see just how much she will take without going to war.

It is reported that Mr. Wendell Willkie has seen parts of the speech and indicated he will not only publicly support them but is willing to go even further.

THE ADDRESS IS DESCRIBED AT THE WHITE HOUSE AS ONE WHICH WILL BE "ALL-COVERING AND WILL LEAVE NO UNANSWERED QUESTION."

Plain English

This information was given by the press secretary, Mr. Stephen Early, to reporters. Mr. Early added the President will cancel his usual press conference to-day to hold the first meeting with the U.S. mission to Russia, headed by Mr. Harriman.

As the President went over and completed the draft of his address with Senate and House Democratic and Republican leaders, Mr. Early told reporters "The speech will mean what it

GERMAN
RAIDER IN
PACIFIC

A GERMAN RAIDER OPERATING IN THE PACIFIC ABOUT 1,000 MILES WEST OF PANAMA HAS SUNK THE DUTCH MOTORSHIP "KOTANOPAN" AND THREATENED OTHER VESSELS, ACCORDING TO NEW YORK SHIPPING SOURCES YESTERDAY.

The "Kotanopan" was reported to be carrying rubber, tin and palm oil for the United States. Fate of the crew and passengers, if any, is unknown. — Reuter.

ARREST
OF NAZIS
IN IRAN

The Nazis are furious about the delivery of Germans in Iran into Russian and British hands, according to press reports reaching Zurich yesterday.

Berlin regards the handing over of Germans to Russia as "barbarity," according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Zurich Tages-Anzeiger."

It considers the British Government responsible and threatens reprisals against British war prisoners and civilians in Germany.

48 Hours Allowed

It is understood that the period of 48 hours allowed by the Anglo-Soviet authorities for handing over German nationals in Persia has now expired and that German and Italian nationals are being rounded up and brought to the main centres of Iran.

It is probable that they may be interned in Persia but the possibility of their being taken to India is not ruled out. — Reuter.

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LAVAL LEAVES
HOSPITAL

According to the official German news agency, Laval, who was shot at Versailles, left hospital yesterday. — Reuter.

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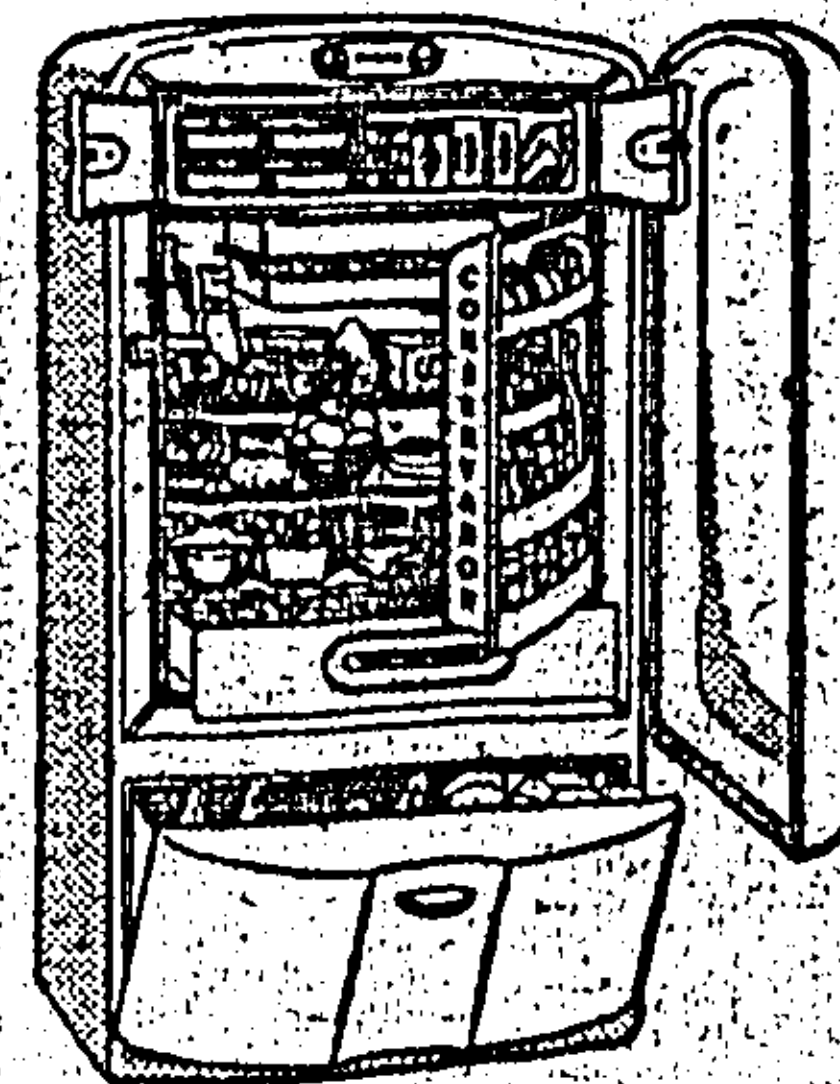
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NEW MURMANSK OFFENSIVE

Little Change On Main Fronts

Timoshenko Attack Continues

(Military Commentary by "Annalist")

A NEW DEVELOPMENT IN THE FIGHTING IN RUSSIA WAS REPORTED IN LONDON YESTERDAY WHEN IT WAS STATED IN AUTHORITATIVE CIRCLES THAT THERE WERE INDICATIONS THE GERMANS HAVE STARTED AN ATTACK IN THE MURMANSK DISTRICT, ON THE ARCTIC SEA, 600 MILES NORTH OF LENINGRAD.

How this attack is progressing, or whether it is on a very big scale, is not yet known. It is stated it seems to be coming from the direction due west of Murmansk and Finnish troops are believed to be taking part.

There is a railway line running down to Leningrad from Murmansk which at one point skirts the western border of Lake Ladoga, on the eastern side of which the Finns recently claimed to have advanced.

Pending further information this development does not seem to affect the fighting in the main Russian centres.

Detailed information on the latest developments were not provided by yesterday's midday Soviet communique.

In the Leningrad sector there is no news of any important change.

The situation between Smolensk and Gomel, where the Russians are counter-attacking on a 200-mile front, has become somewhat confused.

REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED OF A GERMAN COUNTER-ATTACK SOUTH-EAST OF GOMEL BUT THESE LACK CONFIRMATION FROM SOVIET SOURCES.

Germans Pushed Back

If they are true, important developments one way or the other may be expected in the next two or three days.

At various points in the large central sector the Russians report further advances and successes. At one point General Yeremenko on Wednesday pushed the Germans back 12 miles and recaptured 10 villages.

The Tass agency reports that during the last 24 hours, 12,000 Germans were killed at Vilki Luki, which is 125 miles north-west of Smolensk.

These terrific losses on the part of the Germans show the violence

of the actions undertaken by Marshal Timoshenko's armies.

Kiev Clash

The Germans claim violent fighting north of Kiev on Wednesday where, however, Moscow reports say the Nazi drive was checked and severe defeats inflicted on two German infantry divisions.

No further reliable news has been received in London about the situation in the Ukraine, where the Germans still appear to be trying to cross the Dnieper.

A supplement to yesterday's midday Soviet communique says successful resistance is being made to the Rumanian troops on the approaches to Odessa.

On the whole, therefore, there has been, apart from Murmansk, no significant change as yet on the Russian front in the last 24 hours.

"Sooner Or Later"

Leningrad holds out, as determined as ever, and it is perhaps significant that German propaganda is now preparing the German people not to expect its rapid fall.

The German radio in its latest talk said: "It makes no difference whatever to the strategic situation in general whether Leningrad falls sooner or later." — Reuter.

DEATH OF DEATH-RAY MATTHEWS

The death was announced from Swansea Valley yesterday of M. H. Grindell Matthews, known as "Death Ray Matthews."

Among his researches, it was reported, was the discovery of a ray to kill disease germs, the design of a new method of aerial defence and the design of a rocket aeroplane that would travel at six miles a second and might make a visit to the moon possible.

To carry out his electrical research work Matthews lived in a closely guarded bungalow on the top of a Welsh mountain 700 feet above sea level.

He had permission to tap the electric grid system for power.

An engineer by profession, Matthews was best known as a pioneer in radio and sound film production and as an inventor.

Radio Pioneer

The possibilities of wireless telephony early attracted him and in 1911, at Cardiff, he succeeded in establishing wireless telephonic communication with an aeroplane one and a half miles away and travelling at what then was considered the remarkable speed of 60 miles an hour.

He also sent the first press message by radio telephone from Newport to the newspaper "Western Mail" at Cardiff.

His researches, it was reported, included means to detect submarines 30 miles away.

He got his nickname of "death ray" from an experiment with a ray that would stop aeroplane and motorcar engines.

Winning The Air

His aerial defence scheme was to "mine" the air. Rockets that could reach a height of 30,000 feet in four and a half seconds would contain a number of parachutes to which, by means of thin steel wires, bombs would be attached.

He served throughout the South African War and was wounded twice. — Reuter.

RETURNS A PRISONER

Hans Betram, who crashed near Wyndham, on the west coast of Australia, after a flight from Germany, in 1932, is again in the Commonwealth — this time as a major in the Luftwaffe, among prisoners of war from the Middle East.

He and his companion landed at Singapore on April 28, 1932, in the course of the flight to Australia. They were reported missing after leaving Kupang, and a land and air search was organised in Australia.

A note was found stating that the aviators were making for land, using a float from their seaplane as a boat. They were subsequently discovered by aborigines from the Drysdale mission station and rescued.

BACKWARD IN COMING FORWARD

Of the 10 Italian divisions which the Germans required on the Eastern Front, it is understood only three have been despatched and only one is in the fighting line operating behind German shock troops.

The remaining divisions are expected to be despatched shortly at the urgent request of the Germans. — Reuter.

PRINCE CHICHIBU IN SAIGON

PRINCE CHICHIBU ARRIVED IN SAIGON AT MIDDAY YESTERDAY IN A SPECIAL MILITARY PLANE FROM TOKYO AS THE PERSONAL EMISSARY OF THE EMPEROR TO "KEEP UP THE SPIRITS OF JAPANESE SOLDIERS IN EXILE."

Prince Chichibu formally visited the Governor-General in the afternoon, while presumably he will start keeping up the soldiers' spirits to-day. — Reuter.

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Two members raised protests. Sir William Allen (Cons.) spoke of the "persecution of the Oxford Group" and another member gave notice that he will raise the matter again. — Reuter.

CONVERSATIONS AT THE VATICAN

Mr. Myron Taylor, United States Special Envoy, had another conversation yesterday with the Papal Secretary of State, Cardinal Maglione, in Vatican City following his talk with the Pope.

Next week Mr. Taylor will take up his usual residence at Florence. — Reuter.

30,000 GERMANS LOST IN GREAT BATTLE AT KIEV

THIRTY THOUSAND Germans were lost before Kiev, according to the secretary of the Central Ukrainian Communist Party, writing in the Moscow newspaper "Pravda" yesterday.

The 44th, 95th and 299th Infantry Divisions and other big units were completely routed, he added.

German losses in armoured equipment were not large. Soviet artillery destroyed some 23 German tanks, 72 lorries and 11 A.A. guns.

Violent fighting is reported by the German news agency to have developed on Wednesday in the area north of Kiev, in which two German divisions are said to be involved.

One division is claimed by the Germans to have broken up Soviet units in this battle into isolated groups and captured a large-sized town, making 1,200 prisoners, similar measures of success being attributed to the second German division.

Odessa Carnage

Meanwhile the Italian newspaper "Amrosiano" writes: "Odessa is one of the most terrible battlefields in history."

"The ground is covered with the bodies of horses and other animals, overturned lorries, abandoned guns and motionless tanks. The cries of the wounded are louder than machine-guns and bomb explosions." — Reuter.

Midnight Communique

The following is the text of the Soviet midnight communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau:

"On Sept. 11 our troops stubbornly fought the enemy along the entire front."

"Our air force, in cooperation with land troops, dealt blows to enemy panzer troops, infantry and artillery and destroyed aircraft on his aerodromes."

"On Sept. 9, 81 German planes were destroyed in air combats, by A.A. fire and on aerodromes. We lost 41 planes." — Reuter.

BOOM IN BEES

Since the war the number of bees kept in Britain has risen by a half.

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CONFIRMATION THAT BRITAIN WAS SENDING HUNDREDS OF FIGHTER AIRCRAFT TO RUSSIA WAS GIVEN BY MR. CHURCHILL IN REPLYING TO A QUESTION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.

The question related to the remarks recently ascribed to the Minister for Aircraft Production, Colonel J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon, regarding operations between the Russian and German armies.

ERROR LED TO RESCUE

"Steam north north-west," ordered the skipper of a Dutch trawler to his mate, and "north by west it is," replied the mate.

Neither of them noticed the mistake and the skipper went below.

When he came on deck some hours later he found that the trawler was fifteen miles off her course.

Suddenly the look-out shouted "Raft ahoy," and the trawler headed for the raft and picked up six British seamen who had been adrift for five days.

They were taken aboard and the trawler set her course for a British port.

There was no mistake in steering this time, and the seamen are now in hospital.

Telling the story, the skipper said, "I was going to give the mate a row, but I forgive him."

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Mr. Churchill said that the versions which were published of the remarks made at a private gathering in July by Col. Moore-Brabazon bore a construction which represents neither the policy of the Government nor the views of Col. Moore-Brabazon.

"I happen to know his views," proceeded the Prime Minister, "because on the day when Hitler attacked Russia, I told him on the telephone that I was going to talk that night of whole-hearted support for Russia and he expressed enthusiastic assent."

Fighters Sent

"He emphasised those sentiments in a public speech at Chertsey on August 9. Moreover, he has been all the time ardently at work, as I know from personal observation, sending hundreds of fighter aircraft to Russia, many of which have already got there."

"Therefore although phrasing of what he said at a private gathering taken from its context, might well be misconstrued, I am satisfied that he was and is in full accord with the policy which His Majesty's Government are earnestly pursuing."

Mr. E. Shinwell (Labour) drew attention to the correspondence which passed between Col. Moore-Brabazon, Sir Ernest Simon and Mr. Blackburn, organiser of the Engineering Union, and suggested that Col. Moore-Brabazon should make a personal statement.

Mischievous Action

Mr. Churchill replied he had read the correspondence and was astonished that anybody should have taken the mischievous action of making all this sensation, which does nothing but harm to Russia as well as Britain and leads to suspicion between those whose fortunes are linked together.

Col. Moore-Brabazon was, of course, welcome to make a personal statement if he desires, but the Premier had assumed the duty of handling the matter and would prefer to have it left in his hands. (Cheers.)

When pressed by the Labourite for a quotation of Col. Moore-Brabazon's actual statement, Mr. Churchill said that although there was much he could say effectively, he forebore from quoting in order not to give disproportionate importance and significance to this matter. — Reuter.

POLITICAL WARFARE

At question time in the Commons yesterday Mr. Churchill announced measures to co-ordinate various organisations which hitherto were responsible for political warfare.

The Prime Minister said the Foreign Secretary, Minister for Information and Minister of Economic Warfare, had been in consultation on the subject of propaganda to enemy and enemy-occupied territory.

He had approved recommendations that they had made that a small special executive should be established for the conduct of political warfare. This executive had already begun its work. — Reuter.

MOSCOW WARNING TO BULGARIA

Moscow radio states that M. Molotov has informed Bulgaria that her conduct regarding the Soviet Union does not conform with normal diplomatic usage.

Moscow radio added M. Molotov declared Bulgaria was letting Germany use her territory and bases in order to forward its attack on Odessa, the Crimea and the Caucasus. — Reuter.

MR. GALLACHER APOLOGISES IN COMMONS

THERE WAS A SHARP exchange of words in the House of Commons yesterday between Mr. W. Gallacher (Communist) and the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, when Mr. Gallacher urged that the Government remove anyone who was not one hundred per cent. for cooperation.

Mr. Churchill retorted: "I am not prepared to seek guidance from the honourable gentleman who notoriously had to change his opinions wherever he was ordered by a body outside this country." (Loud cheers.)

Mr. Gallacher turned to the Speaker, denying that he had ever taken orders from anyone outside the country, asking for protection and demanding the withdrawal of the Premier's remark.

When the Speaker intervened to call the next question, Mr. Gallacher shouted angrily, "It was a cowardly rotten action by the Prime Minister."

The Speaker called the next question and the matter was dropped.

Mr. Gallacher made an amende honorable before Parliament adjourned yesterday.

An Apology

He addressed the Speaker and said: "I want to apologise to you and the House for the offensive words I used after I had put to you my point of order, and to

APPEARS IN NEW GUISE

SUSPENSION OF THE COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER "DAILY WORKER" HAS BEEN CIRCUMVENTED BY PUBLICATION OF A NEW PAPER CALLED "THE WORKERS' GAZETTE," ACCORDING TO A QUESTIONER IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY.

The questioner asked whether any action had been taken against those concerned for contravention of the Defence Regulations under which the "Daily Worker" was suspended.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, replied showing the matter had not escaped his notice and that "any future developments will be watched carefully." — Reuter.

FLEET AIR ARM KEEPS UP HEAVY ONSLAUGHTS

"THE BIGGEST BLAZE I have ever seen since we started operations out here," was the description given by one pilot to a great fire which R.A.F. bombers left burning at Messina, Sicily, early on Wednesday morning, says the Air Ministry news service.

Targets were the power house and landing stages of ferries connecting Sicily with the mainland. Numerous heavy bombs were dropped.

Some pilots dived low to straddle the objectives, and one pilot was so fascinated by the vivid light from a fire raging near the Citadel that he flew around watching for about half an hour.

The Air Ministry also stated that 14 Axis planes dispersed on aerodromes in Cyrenaica have been destroyed in a week without loss by naval aircraft operating with the R.A.F.

Yesterday's Middle East R.A.F. communique reported the acti-

vities of the R.A.F. and Fleet Air Arm in the Mediterranean.

A raid on Sicily, the communique says, took place on Monday night when several places were bombed.

Docks And Ships

The harbour at Palermo was attacked. Bombs were dropped on the docks and many hits were observed on the three main quays and a drydock. Three large merchant-ships are believed to have been damaged, and a fire broke out on the northern quay near oil storage installations.

On the same night bombs were dropped on the aerodromes at Catania and Gernini and both objectives were machine-gunned.

R.A.F. heavy bombers attacked the power station, ferry ships and landing stages at Messina during Tuesday night.

Citadel Blaze

Many direct hits were scored and fires broke out near the commercial oil tanks. Another very big blaze was started in the Citadel area.

Fleet Air Arm aircraft the same night bombed and machine-gunned the aerodrome at Castel Vetrano, and a large fire was started.

The Fleet Air Arm also bombed the aerodromes at Gambut and Menastir in Cyrenaica, on Tuesday night.

At Gambut, bombs fell near aircraft on the ground two of which were destroyed while others were damaged.

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ROYAL ARSENAL AT TURIN GETS HEAVIEST BATTERING OF WAR

THE R.A.F. RAID ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT ON NORTHERN ITALY, WHICH WAS BY FAR THE MOST POWERFUL YET MADE IN THAT REGION, WAS LED BY BRITAIN'S BIGGEST BOMBERS, FOUR-ENGINE STIRLINGS. FOUR-ENGINE HALIFAXES FOLLOWED LATER, AS WELL AS TWIN-ENGINE BOMBERS.

It was also the first time that Britain's heaviest bombers had made the journey of 1,200 miles there and back with a double crossing of the Alps, which they took in their stride.

Describing the attack, one Stirling pilot said: "As we went down through France it was as quiet as the grave. One or two search-lights poked into the clouds but soon gave up.

"Most of the time during the crossing of the Alps we flew at over 20,000 feet. We were about the third bomber to come down to Turin and already there were three large blocks of fire in a row.

"We dropped a stick of bombs. After we had bombed we started climbing again and as we turned towards the Alps we saw the attack getting under way. There were lots of bombs being dropped.

Not Much Room

"A few minutes after we left Turin my rear gunner reported three fighters coming up very fast astern. I told him to get them because there was not much room for evasive action over the Alps.

"HE OPENED UP ON THEM AT ONCE AND THEY SPLIT FORMATION. ONE DISAPPEARED INTO THE CLOUDS AND THE OTHERS JOINED FRIENDS WHO HAD COME UP. THEY MADE NO ATTACK AND SOON MADE OFF.

"One solitary gun in the foothills on the Italian side of the Alps took a pop at us. It just fired once for luck.

"We came home very nicely."

A Wellington pilot came down to 2,000 feet to drop his bombs, planting them in five large fires in Turin with other smaller ones around them.

'Bulging And Billowing'

Another crew counted 34 fires and their bombs were seen to burst on a large factory building. Another factory building was outlined in the flames. There were enormous explosions in the heart of the fire and "things seemed to burst out of the fire and explode at a height from 2,000 to 6,000 feet."

Other crews described how they saw fires "bulging and billowing" and made out the gaunt framework of gutted buildings.—Reuter.

TOBRUK AIR ATTACK

YESTERDAY'S CAIRO G.H.Q. COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT AT TOBRUK OUR ARTILLERY DISPERSED A SMALL ENEMY TANK PATROL.

Enemy air raids were on a heavier scale but no serious damage or loss resulted.

In the frontier area there was some exchange of shellfire.—Reuter.

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SOLITARY RAIDER

During yesterday a single enemy aircraft dropped bombs harmlessly at one point in north-eastern Scotland. Otherwise there was nothing to report, says Reuter.

CRUEL BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT SPEAK

A WOMAN MUSIC TEACHER WHOSE SCHOOLMASTER HUSBAND HAD LIVED IN THE SAME HOUSE WITHOUT SPEAKING TO HER FOR SEVERAL YEARS WAS GRANTED A DECREE NISI ON CRUELTY GROUNDS AT CHESTER ASSIZES.

"I cannot imagine greater cruelty," commented Mr. Justice Singleton.

Mrs. Amy Ann Hayes, of Church Street, Frodsham (Cheshire) alleged that her husband, George Leonard Hayes, lived in his own rooms in the house, told her he would get his own meals and reduced her housekeeping allowance.

The two daughters had not spoken to their father for a considerable time, she said.

AMERICANS SAIL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Approximately 115 Shanghai Americans and a few who arrived recently from Japan left last evening for the United States.—International News Service.

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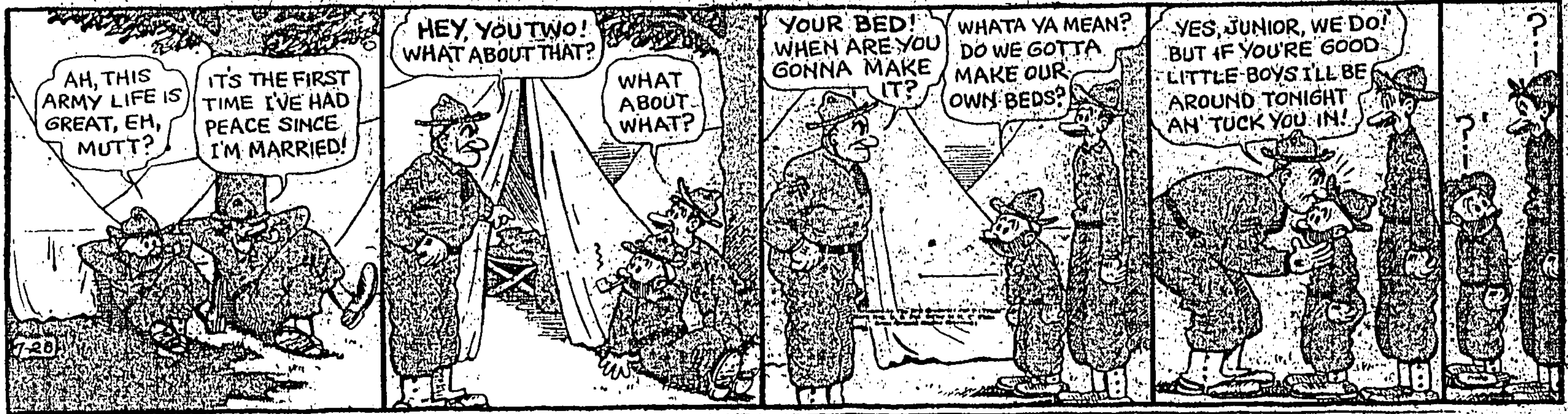
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FRANCO TALKS OF THE ROAD TO EMPIRE

SPEAKING AT SANTANDER during a review of the Army and Falange, General Franco said yesterday he would only speak a few words to express the feelings of his heart towards all gathered there.

He added: "This crowd gathered here represents the united peoples of Spain and faith in our re-aring. Faith and work is the rule of my Government and the spirit that animates us."

"Be sure that if it had not been for the war that faces the world, Spain would already have risen again and there would not be problems for the peoples nor for Spaniards that would not have been resolved with a firm hand and sure step."

General Franco said their feelings and united spirit reflected the feeling of Spain.

Making a tacit allusion to the February fire disaster, General Franco said: "In the same way your cheerfulness has risen above sorrows and past mishaps and you have optimism and confidence."

"So must also all Spain arise because it was for that that we

made war. We have given the blood of our best with history commanding us, with past glories made green through the effort of our youth."

Road Of Empire

"That is the spirit of our movement and our Falange: to raise Spain, to make revolution, giving bread to all homes and bring them joy and justice."

"Our work will to-morrow be our judgment. I therefore charge you with it, which is the service of Spain, the destiny of the Falange and the road of empire. Arriba Espana!"—Reuter.

2-DAY JOURNEY TAKES A YEAR

(From Martin Moore)

Two men who were on the staff of the British Institute in Rome, Mr. John Graham and Mr. Edward Lloyd, have arrived in Lisbon just one year after leaving Italy on what they expected to be a homeward journey of two days.

They had got as far as Paris when they were swept back by the German advance. Mr. Graham possessed a travelling rug and an umbrella and Mr. Lloyd an overcoat and a British civilian gas mask. That was virtually their only equipment for a tramp half across France during which they were repeatedly arrested by the French and narrowly escaped capture by the Germans.

Movable Shelter

Mr. Graham's rug and umbrella provided the two men with a movable shelter for four weeks, during which time they only twice slept in beds. "Each night we made a wigwam with the umbrella and rug, covered with hay or branches," he said.

"We had pitched our tent in the middle of a hayfield just outside Poitiers when we had the narrowest escape from the Germans. For an hour we lay hidden in hay, watching an unbroken stream of lorries and armoured cars pour along the road a stone's throw away."

After this escape the two Englishmen dare not again risk being near the highways. They had luckily found a map, and, taking bearings from the sun, they made a course across country in the direction of Marseilles. Mr. Graham and Mr. Lloyd

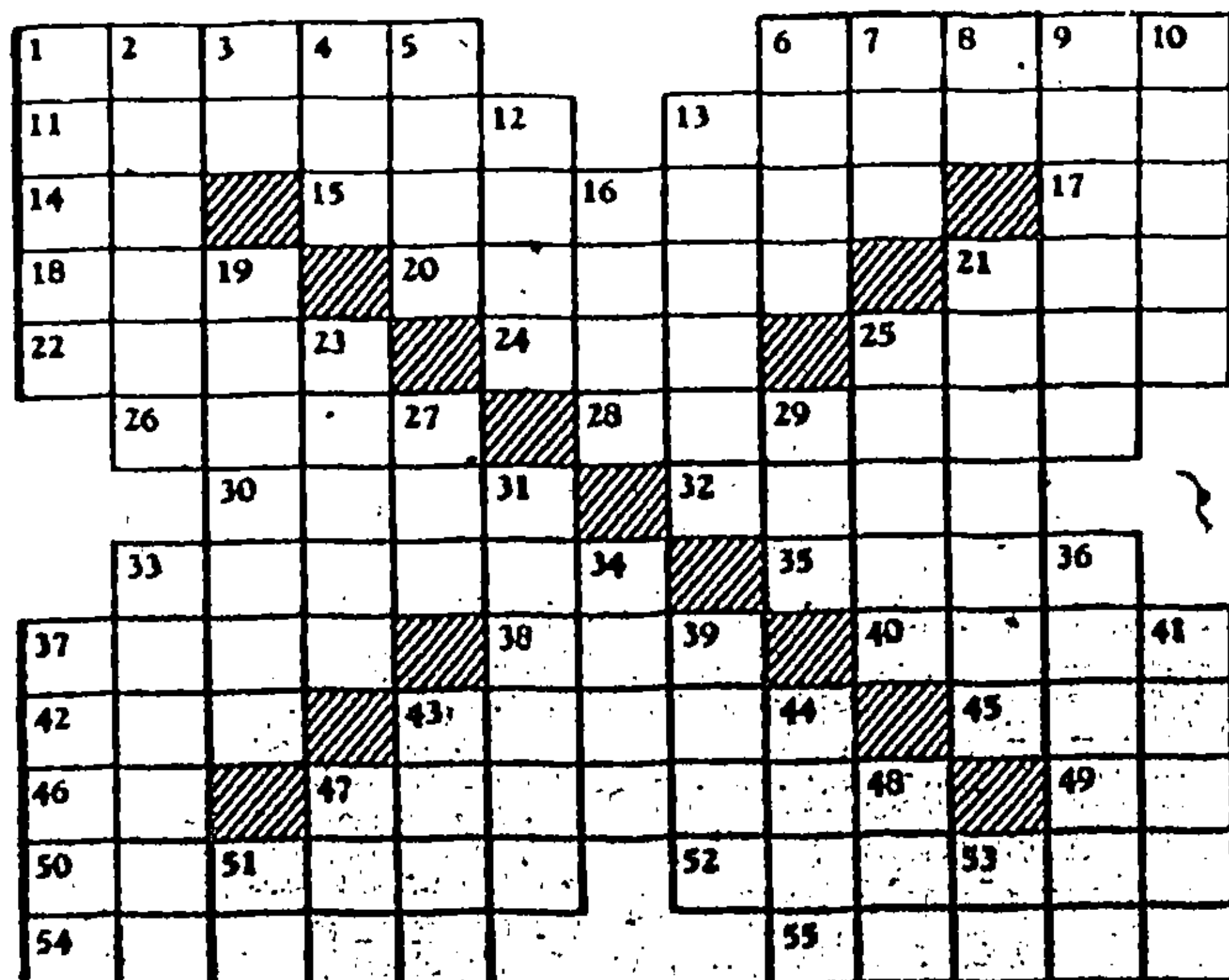
had to wait more than 10 months in Marseilles before they were allowed to leave for Portugal. They will probably remain here on the staff of the British Institute.

FALANGISTS ARRESTED

THE CLOSING BY THE CUBAN AUTHORITIES OF THE BRANCHES THERE OF THE SPANISH FALANGE "AUXILIO SOCIAL" RELIEF ORGANISATION IS REPORTED IN THE MADRID NEWSPAPER "ARRIBA."

Cuban newspapers allege that money raised for the organisation went to Spain. In denying this "Arriba" says: "Our compatriots have been persecuted and imprisoned as Fifth Columnists for the single fact of having in their houses portraits of the Caudillo or Joe. Astoria."—Reuter.

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- 1 Topics
- 6 Hiredlings
- 11 To transcend
- 13 Word of honour
- 14 Symbol for xenon
- 15 Tentacle
- 16 Anthozoan
- 17 Teutonic deity
- 18 Norse territorial division
- 20 Figurative use of a word
- 21 English river
- 22 To box
- 24 Entirely
- 25 The birds
- 26 To corner
- 28 Travelled along the ground, as an aeroplane
- 30 Pungent
- 32 Irish song
- 33 Circular limit
- 35 Labour
- 37 Port of the eye
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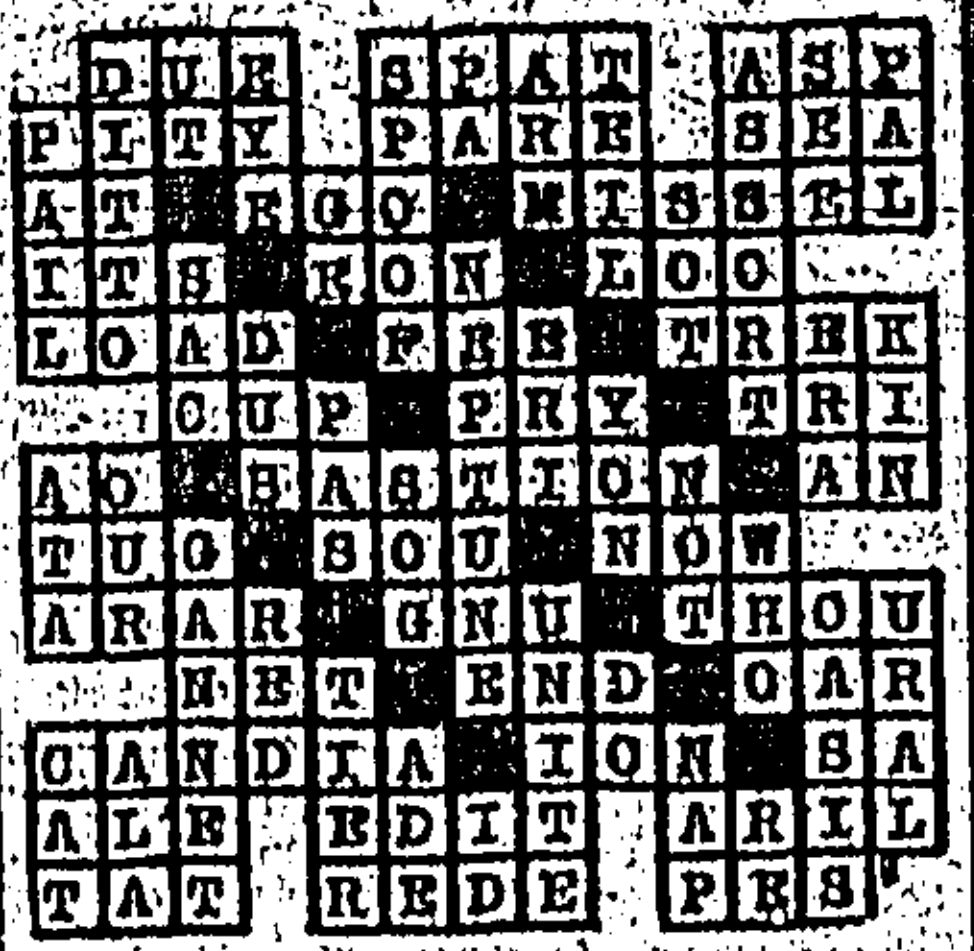
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- 1 State
- 2 Seb apart
- 3 Ninety
- 4 Beverage
- 5 Dispatched
- 6 Rational
- 7 Before
- 8 Artificial language
- 9 Bent
- 10 Withers

12 Egyptian measure of length

- 13 Tulip tree
- 14 To shed
- 15 Mediterranean sailing vessels
- 21 Early part of the night
- 23 Peruses
- 25 Japanese aborigines
- 27 Silk worm
- 29 Indian pillar
- 31 Subterranean passageway
- 33 To edit
- 34 Drunkards
- 36 To free from tightness
- 37 Tibetan priests
- 39 Thomas Hardy heroine
- 41 Torments
- 43 Ardour
- 44 Corded cloths
- 47 Rough covering of a fruit
- 48 To plunge
- 51 Symbol for tellurium
- 53 Symbol for sodium

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**ENTRY IN RED IN
BOOKS OF KIN LEE**

KWONG WING, head supervisor of Kin Lee, Building Contractors, in reply to a question by the Chairman at this morning's session of the inquiry into certain matters concerning the A.R.P. Architectural Department, regarding an item for 5,000 sleepers sold to Messrs. Marsman's, stated that he did not know why no summary was made for this particular item.

He said that "the way these 5,000 pieces were entered up was done under the instructions of Messrs. Buchanan and Chang," both of the Government.

When the inquiry was resumed this morning, the chairman, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, asked Kwong Wing whether he had brought the statements requested on the previous day.

Witness said that he had done so, producing the statements at the same time, adding that "as regards the sum here of \$7,788.86, I have the receipt for it."

Chairman: What was that connected with?—This is a receipt from Marsman's for fuse coils.

Where is the next one?—As regards the second amount, \$40,400, this sum is in respect of the sale of sleepers to Marsman's at \$5.20 each. We sold these to Marsman's.

They paid you for them?—Yes. Where is the receipt?—I gave the receipt on the bill.

Where is the book?—I gave a receipt on the bill produced by Marsman's.

You did not keep a duplicate?—No.

Red Entry

Is that account entered in your books?—Yes.

Will you refer us to that entry?—Yes.

Witness then produced a statement and after examining same the chairman asked witness why this particular entry was made in red.

Witness replied that he did not know, as the clerk in his office had done it.

The transaction took place in May?—Yes.

They, why, has Marsman's put it down as having taken place in March?—How do I know, sir?

That refers to 2,000 sleepers, doesn't it?—The first lot was for 6,000 and the second lot for 2,000.

Chairman: I want to make a correction about the statement that Marsman's had got it down that the transaction took place in March. It says that it took place in May so it agrees with your statement. Now, where is a similar statement regarding the 5,000 sleepers?—We do not have this.

We purchased 10,000 pieces and 5,000 went to Marsman's, so that we have no deduction.

"Ten Per Cent.?"

You have a summary for the 2,000. Why didn't you do the same with the 5,000?—Of this lot of 10,000 pieces, 5,000 had been removed to Kowloon for which Government had paid and 5,000 were sold to Marsman's.

I know that, but why isn't it down as having been sold to Marsman's?—I don't know. As a matter of fact the way these 5,000 was entered up was under the instructions of Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Chang.

All right. Did you charge 10 per cent. for the 2,000 you sold to Government?—No.

You are quite sure, now?—May I have a look at the accounts again before I answer that question. I don't remember . . . 10 per cent. was not charged.

Well now, there's another item here, \$27,000. What about that?—I was not asked to produce that.

No Charge

Chairman (To Mr. Blake): Will you make a note of that now, please.

Chairman (to witness): Marsman's show in their disbursements, "less payment by Kin Lee; \$23,978.85."—I have the receipt for that.

What was that for?—I cannot tell off hand, but if I may be allowed to refer to my books I will be able to tell.

There is an item for \$10,400 Marsman's paid you between

June 1 and 15, what was that for?—That was for the 2,000 sleepers I referred to.

Then there's an item for \$1,650. What was that for?—It is for an air tank receiver.

And you did not charge Government for that?—No.

Why not?—Because that was included in the plant hired by Government.

And does Government pay you hire for that?—Yes.

How much?—\$500.

And you paid how much for the plant?—About \$20,000.

**HALF FARE
IF ARMY
WIFE**

Servicemen's wives will soon be able to travel by rail where and when they like for about half fare on production of their allowance books.

The War Office, it is understood, are completing a vast scheme, with the cooperation of the railway companies, and it is expected that the Air Ministry and Admiralty will follow suit.

The concession covers children under 16 travelling with their mothers.

Within the next few days any full-time man or woman member of the civil defence services who has been working in a heavily raided area will be granted a free return railway voucher for holiday travel.

**TRY RADIO
DUPES—
M. P.**

British subjects who broadcast under enemy auspices should be prosecuted under the Treachery Act "as soon as they can be brought to justice."

This is being urged by Sir John Mellor, M.P., in the form of a question to the Attorney-General.

Captain L. F. Plugge (Con., Rochester) is to ask the Minister of Information to watch broadcasts of British prisoners liberated in Germany to see if "the condition of liberation is dependent on the astute adoption of propaganda methods."

A CORRECTION

In yesterday's report of the A.R.P. inquiry proceedings, a sentence was inadvertently omitted from the reply of Mr. Kwong Wing to a question by the Chairman regarding the variation in the basis of the contract. When asked whether the cost plus basis was to the benefit of Kin Lee and to the detriment of Government, Mr. Kwong Wing replied: Correct. But only as far as the 200-foot tunnel was concerned.

**NAZI COURIER
FREED**

Kurst Fritzsich, courier for the German Embassy in Washington has been admitted to the United States after being detained at Brownsville, Texas.

Herr Fritzsich had been halted by Border Patrol officials upon his application for entrance en route from Mexico City and Guatemala.

**WREN'S
BANNS ON
WARSHIP**

A leading Wren has made naval history by being the first in her service to have her marriage banns called on board a vessel afloat.

She is Daphne Dorothy Briand, 23, cook on H.M.S. Eagle, anchored in a Liverpool dock, where officers attached to the naval base eat and sleep.

When the senior chaplain called her banns she was described as "Spinster, of his Majesty's Ship Eagle."

Leading Wren Briand, who works a twenty-four hour watch and sleeps on board when on duty, is to marry A/Ci Fitter Ronald Float, 25. The wedding is to take place in the village of Outwood, near Redhill, Surrey.

The couple have known one another for two years.

Leading Wren Briand intends to return to duty after her wedding.

"I have been in uniform for eighteen months now and I think the service is grand," she told the "Daily Mirror."

Wrens' living quarters ashore are referred to as "ships," and have galleys, cabins and mess rooms, but not until recently have Wrens been allowed to sleep on real ships.

This was permitted after the blitzes on Liverpool.

**GAOLED
AFTER
SECRET
TRIAL**

After a two-day trial in secret at the Old Bailey, George Charles Crellan, 39, naval architect, was found guilty of offences under the Official Secrets Act and Defence Regulations, and sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment.

Public and Press were admitted after the jury had returned their verdict.

Mr. Justice Macnaghten said to Crellan:

"It is a grave matter that a person who is entrusted with important documents should have misused them."

"Although but a temporary member of the Civil Service, you have acted flagrantly in violation of the standards which the Civil Service of this country has always maintained."

"Your previous career does not afford any ground for treating the offences you have committed with leniency."

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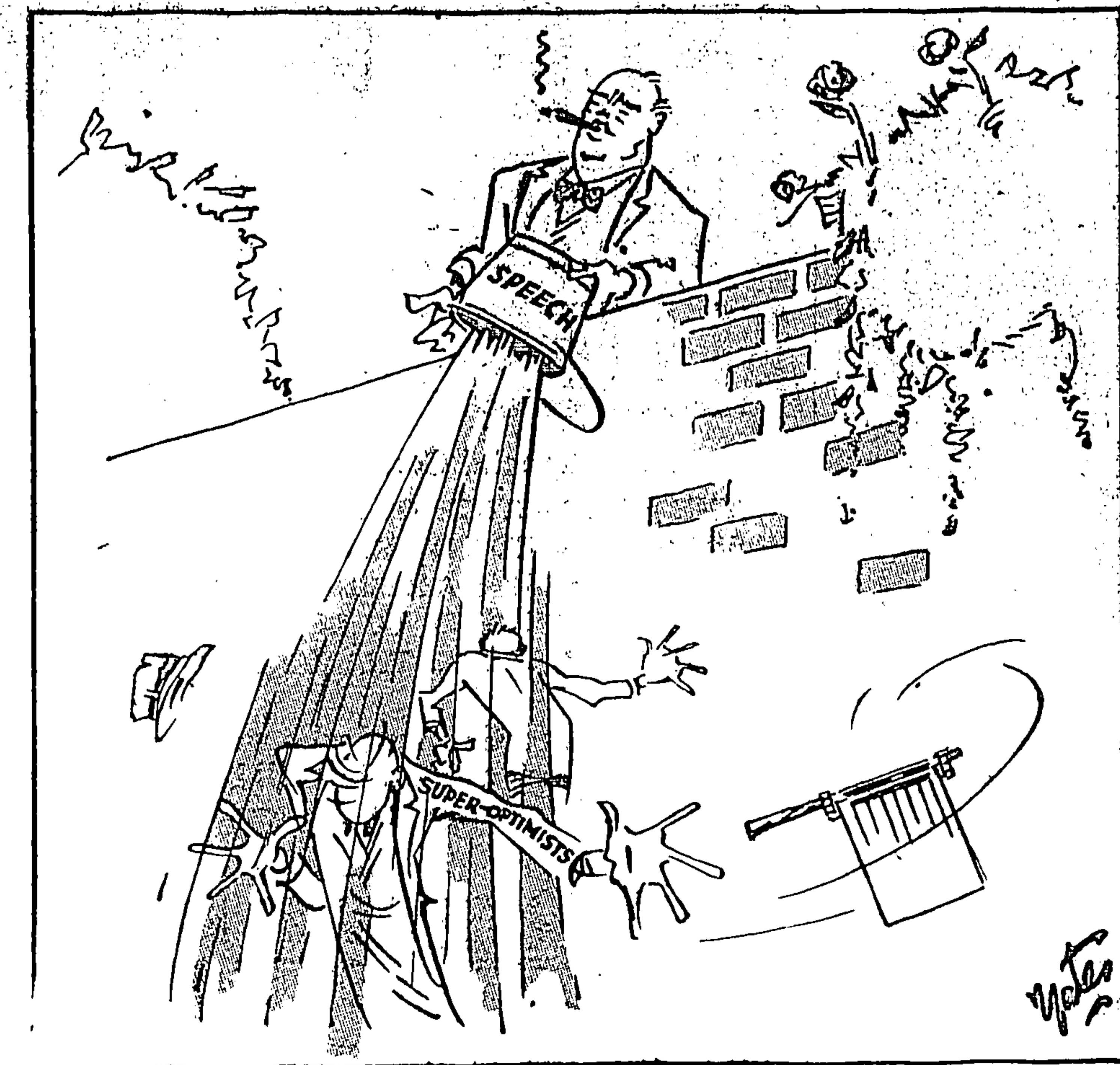
MR. CHURCHILL LEADS

Although Mr. Churchill gave a full recital of the relevant facts to any estimate of the war situation to-day, he maintained the tone of warning against complacency that has marked all recent ministerial speeches. Since this war began, the people of Britain have shown themselves to be a singular people; they are inspired to action by bad news and they seem positively to flourish on reverses. In recent weeks, as the Prime Minister himself was compelled to admit, the news has been consistently good. In the Middle East, which Lord Moyne indicated was officially regarded as Hitler's ulcer, our position has improved beyond all recognition in twelve short months. We can say more confidently to-day than ever before, thanks to Russia's intervention, and to the aid on gigantic scale and growing of the United States, that we are the captain of our soul.

Mr. Churchill, however, insists upon the peril of premature exultation. Never a man to be daunted by gloomy tidings, a mighty whistler in the dark, he bids his countrymen beware of temptations to optimism. The contrast between this attitude and that of the German High Command, covering up its difficulties with promises of "sensational victories" to come, illuminates the gulf between a regime which knows it cannot survive a failure and a Government so sure of its identification with the people and their cause that it can utter warnings against overconfidence in success.

REMORSELESS

Hitler is the prisoner of his conquests. As the gaoler of Europe, he has proved that the Continent is not self-sufficient, and he is therefore driven on and on by the remorseless necessity of acquiring more territory in order to sustain what he has. He is likewise the victim of his own military success. To-day, he is hard pressed to explain the relative slowness of the advance in Russia, because his vic-



NOT YET THE TIME TO CHEER.

Fateful Decision

It is not necessary to explain to any intelligent Frenchman that America has a direct and vital interest in the fate of the French empire. The surrender of Indo-China has brought America to the verge of war in the Pacific. The surrender of the African empire would threaten the security of the Western Hemisphere and enlarge very greatly the scope and the probable duration of the conflict in the Atlantic.

For the surrender of northwest Africa would not only violate the solemn pledges of Marshal Petain, thus proving that the Vichy regime is not to be trusted in any agreement or political relationship, but it would contribute indisputable proof that the Vichy government had been captured by men who have invested their lives and their fortunes in a Nazi victory. Much that Vichy has done has been explained on the ground that Marshal Petain has a noose around his neck. But what was done in Africa, can never be explained in that way.

The Netherlands are also occupied territory and Dutch soldiers are also prisoners of war and the Dutch people on the Continent are also at the mercy of the German army and of the Nazi party. Nevertheless the Dutch empire stands firm and nothing Hitler threatens to do to the Dutch in the occu-

pies in other theatres have been so swift. When he cannot move like lightning his pace seems snail-like. His military feats in the past force him to perform ever greater exploits lest the legend of success blow up under the fatal pricks of doubt. For the attacked to stand is a form of victory, but for the attacker to slow down is a form of defeat.

pied territory causes the Dutch in the free world to think of surrendering. Belgium is an occupied country, her King and her army are prisoners of war, her people subject to all the indignities and reprisals of the Nazi conqueror. But the Belgian empire overseas continues to be at war with Hitler.

There is nothing that Hitler can do to Frenchmen which he cannot do also to the Dutch and the Belgians. Therefore, it would never be possible to accept any explanation which said that Mar-

By Walter Lippmann

shal Petain had to break not only the original alliance with Britain but that he had also to violate his own personal pledges to the world. If Africa is surrendered, it will not be because there is no other choice but because there have prevailed in Vichy the men who wish to help Hitler win the war.

There was never less reason than there is at this moment for the surrender of French Africa. A case can be made out for the surrender of Indo-China on the ground that there are no French forces there capable of resisting Japan and that Britain and America did not deem it expedient to make the occupation of Indo-China a question of war and peace. But no such case can be made out for the surrender of Africa.

For with Germany engaged in the great Russian campaign, Hitler's activity in the whole Mediterranean basin has subsided. He is in no position to send motorised divisions into Africa. He has had to let the Italians languish in Libya, he has had to stand by and see the British reinforce Malta for offensive operations against the communications between Italy and Africa. Against the resistance of the British fleet alone, not to speak of what the French fleet could contribute, it is not at the moment conceivable that Hitler could land any considerable force for the invasion of Africa. Thanks to the Russian

army, and thanks to British sea and air-power in the Mediterranean, and with the help of the very substantial support which America could and would give, the French empire can in fact be defended against Hitler. If it is not defended, though Marshal Petain is pledged to defend it, it will be because the men of Vichy prefer a Hitler victory to the independence and the honour of France.

There are obviously Frenchmen who have staked everything on a Hitler victory. A man like Laval could hardly expect to survive and prosper in a liberated France; as a matter of fact he knows and says that his own life is forfeit if Hitler is defeated. Men in this position have not been in full control in Vichy. The surrender of Africa would place them in full control and all Frenchmen who participated in the surrender—the whole Vichy regime—would thereafter have as much reason to fear a Nazi defeat as Hitler, Goebbels or Himmler themselves. For in the eyes of true Frenchmen and of all the free peoples they would have committed an unpardonable act of treachery.

Thus they would force France first into war against the allies and friends of France, and then, as the Nazi occupation begins to crumble under the impact of the world-wide coalition that has now been formed their treachery would inexorably provoke a civil war within France. For the liberation of France would then require not merely the expulsion of the Germans but also the total destruction of the Vichy regime.

Marshal Petain made one tragic miscalculation a year ago when, believing that the war was over, he refused to fight on from Africa. The war was not over, and the forces aligned against Germany to-day are immensely greater than when he made his erroneous decision.

That error could be retrieved to-day by adhering loyally to his own pledges. If the pledges are broken, when the situation is so favourable to honouring them, Marshal Petain will not only lose the French empire to Hitler for the duration of the war but he will prolong the war—perhaps for years—inflicting infinite suffering upon the bodies and deep misery upon the souls of his people.

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250 GERMANS IN IRAN SURRENDERED TO ALLIES

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Iran)

THE FIRST BATCH OF 250 GERMANS TO BE SURRENDERED TO BRITAIN AND RUSSIA UNDER THE TERMS ANNOUNCED ON WEDNESDAY IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE TEHRAN IN HEAVILY GUARDED TRAINS THIS MORNING.

Two hundred Germans who were handed over to the British authorities will be taken to a concentration camp at Ahwaz, southern Iran.

The remaining 50, comprising Germans for whom the Russians have specially asked, will go to Kasvin, nearest Russian-occupied point to Teheran.

Each day after Friday a further batch of Germans will be sent to Ahwaz until all are rounded up and they will then be shipped to India.

Germans with diplomatic immunity—numbering 14 Nazis, with several wives and children—as well as accredited members of the Italian, Hungarian and Rumanian Legations—will probably motor to Khanaqin, on the Iraq frontier, and thence proceed by rail through Baghdad and Turkey to their own countries.

All Not In

These decisions were taken yesterday at a meeting between representatives of the Russian Embassy, the British Legation and the Iranian Government.

It is not yet known whether the principal German agents will try to evade being rounded up.

All those who are scattered from Teheran to Isfahan and other centres have not yet been brought back despite the Iranian Government's request that the German Legation send cars to fetch them.

Relieved!

It is believed a large number of Germans, particularly those who have been in Iran some considerable time, are relieved at falling in British hands rather than being sent back to Germany.

The trains in which the Germans will leave Teheran in order to be handed over to the British and Russians will be guarded by armed Iranian police in every carriage and at each end of the train. In addition, there will be armed police at each station on the line.

At Ahwaz and Kasvin the Germans will be taken over by the British and Russians, and the Iranian Government will no longer be responsible for them.—Reuter.

QUIET WEDDING

THE WEDDING TOOK PLACE AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH YESTERDAY OF MISS JEAN MACLEOD MATHER AND CAPTAIN DAVID ALAN FINLAYSON MATHERS OF THE 2/14 PUNJAB REGIMENT. Rev. H. A. Wittenbach officiated and Mr. David Lee was at the organ.

The bridegroom was attended by Captain R. Blak as best man. The bride wore a white-embossed tulle gown cut with a tight bodice and a full flare skirt. Her tulle veil was held in place with a spray of orange blossoms and she carried a spray of white tuber-roses.

Mrs. F. W. N. Bassett attended the bride as matron-of-honour. The reception, held at the Punjab Mess, was largely attended.

WAR MUST COME FIRST

IT WAS SUGGESTED AT QUESTION TIME IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY BY MR. CHARLES AMMON (LABOUR) THAT THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT HAD PLACED DIFFICULTIES IN THE WAY OF AN ATTEMPT TO START AN INDIAN AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURING PLANT BY REFUSING TO RELEASE THE NECESSARY MACHINERY AND PROVIDE DOLLARS TO PURCHASE THE NECESSARY MATERIAL FROM THE U.S.

Mr. Ammon asked whether the establishment of such an industry could be used in connection with the production of war potential.

Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary of State for India, replying, declined to accept Mr. Ammon's statement and added that the resources which the establishment of an automobile industry would draw upon are fully required for the development of Indian war production.

In reply to a question about such development after the war, Mr. Amery said there were no difficulties in the way provided they do not, at this moment, draw upon the labour and material urgently required for war production.—Reuter.

BOHEMIA NOW SEETHING WITH UNREST

FROM NORTHERN Norway to Sicily, from the Channel coast to central Poland, the prostrated peoples have begun to recover their willpower and organise resistance to Germany, says the "Boston Globe."

Evidence of this, says the paper, flows from behind the walls of censorship in an ever-increasing volume.

It is no longer necessary to trust the assertions of refugees nor the skilfully maintained machinery of underground agencies which the governments in exile have established in their unhappy homelands.

The best testimony comes from the Nazis who find it necessary to employ publicity in their efforts to stem the rising storm.

In the past, the spread of rebellion could have been attributed to the spectre of famine. Another formidable cause of unrest is the tactics of robbery applied wherever German troops have taken over control.

Bohemia Seethes

Bohemia seethes and 150,000 additional German police have been rushed in to contend with arson, assassination and wrecking. Dour Holland carries on the combat with a taciturn efficiency which has infuriated the imported gauleiters, Belgium riots.

In Crete, civil war supplements the guerilla warfare of the mountain leaders in Greece.—Reuter.

Belgian Valour

The authentic story of how the Belgian Army fought desperately to the last of its reserves to help save the British Army at Dunkirk, was told yesterday for the first time in "Belgium—the official account of what happened in 1939 to 1940."

The book, published by the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in London, contains a photograph of a charred German document which proves that Hitler had completed by January, 1940, detailed plans for an invasion of the Low Countries.

"The capitulation occurred at the last extremity," states the record. "The Belgian Army, having done its utmost to cover the British forces going to Dunkirk, did not lay down its arms until it could continue the struggle no longer."—Reuter.

CONCESSIONS TO CHINA

Following receipt of official notification from the British Embassy of the exemption from payment of transit dues of American "Lend and Lease" goods for China through Burma and the granting of a subvention by the British Government to the Government of Burma at the rate of ten rupees a ton in respect to such goods, the Chinese Foreign Minister, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, has written to the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Kerr, expressing the Chinese Government's appreciation.

Dr. Quo also thanked Sir Archibald personally for being instrumental in bringing about the exemption.—Central News.

EXTRA-FLASH EXTRA: READ ALL ABOUT IT

After juggling with headlines on eight or ten news stories on the international situation, the Editor of the "Clearfield" (Pa.) "Progress" scrapped them all and informed his readers in a five-column, 72-point page 1 headline:

"World in an awful mess." In an Editor's note he listed briefly the fast-breaking international developments and told the readers:

"If you can think of a better headline to summarise all this, let us know."

PREDICTION OF INVASION OF CONTINENT

INTIMATING THAT BRITAIN MIGHT BE PREPARING FOR AN INVASION OF NAZI-HELD WESTERN EUROPE, THE COMMUNIST PARTY ORGAN "PRAVDA" SAID THAT THERE WAS "EVERY REASON TO EXPECT" THAT THE ROYAL AIR FORCE SOON WOULD BE CAPABLE OF SUPPORTING LAND AND SEA OPERATIONS AGAINST GERMANY.

Soviet newspapers and leaders, including former Foreign Commissar Maxim Litvinoff, have been urging the British to strike "while the iron is hot" and attack Germany in the West while Adolf Hitler is preoccupied along the 1,800-mile Russian front and suffering heavy losses there.

SPEECH JOB FOR POLLITT

Harry Pollitt, the Communist leader, has, with Government sanction, been released from his skilled trade to do "important work for the Communist Party."

The "Daily Mirror" understands that this work will include visits to different parts of the country to speak in support of the war effort.

"The British air raids on cities of Central and Western Germany have proved the qualitative superiority of British aviation over the Luftwaffe, and Britain now also undoubtedly possesses superiority in the rate of aircraft production," said "Pravda."

"In addition, she has at her disposal the aviation plants of the United States, Canada and Australia, which are completely out of reach of the Germans."

"The world has every reason to expect that in the near future even stronger and more successful blows will be delivered at Germany by British planes and also that British aircraft will prove capable of supporting any land or sea operations against Germany."

"Despite all her difficulties in the course of the past two years, Britain is exerting every effort to muster her enormous resources in preparation for forthcoming decisive battles against Hitlerite Germany."

Tribute To Navy

The British Navy, the account continued, as well as Britain's merchant fleet, has held its own in the Battle of the Atlantic "despite all boasts and threats of the German command," "Pravda" adds.

"The navy not only has proved capable of insuring a constant flow of oil, war materials and foodstuffs to Britain herself but to the armies in Africa and Asia, while the German flag has been driven from the world's oceans and no longer dares appear on the seas."

The article described in detail how Britain had defeated Herr Hitler's Blitzkrieg aims and said that at the start of the war in September of 1939 Herr Hitler and his advisers were convinced that the British were poorly prepared and could not stand a long war.

Barges Ordered

A considerable number of ferro-concrete barges has now been ordered by the Admiralty, it was learned in London. Most of them are of the precast slab type, large enough to handle 200 tons of cargo.

The design is based on the usual Thames barge, but the ends are shaped to provide greater seaworthiness. They are said to be equipped "for service at various ports and under varying conditions." Their cost is about the same as steel barges, and they can be assembled in eight weeks.

When any mention is made of barges, the people in Britain naturally think in terms of invasion. The British Navy's decision to order barges was reported to have been taken early last year.

'COLUMNISTS' FREED

Because of lack of evidence, the Instruction Court in Havana ordered the release of three Germans and a Swiss who were detained on charges of engaging in "fifth-column" activities.

However, the court ordered further investigations of the charges preferred by the police against the group after they had seized considerable documents and photographs at their respective homes.

"SANDMATS" TO QUELL INCENDIARY BOMBS

"Sandmats" — half-size sandbags for dealing with incendiary bombs in the open — are recommended by the Ministry of Home Security.

A "sandmat" is made from a standard sandbag, cut in half and filled with 20lb. of sand, sifted household ash, or fine dry earth.

WOMAN IN AIR SECRET

A woman has played an important part in developing radiolocation.

This was revealed by Mr. R. A. Watson Watt, of the Ministry of Aircraft Production, who is the brains behind the evolution of Britain's secret weapon, which gives warning of the approach of enemy aircraft.

He disclosed that his wife acted as his assistant in his earlier radio research, and that this work led to experiments which have resulted in the latest scientific triumph.

Together in search of a scientific triumph they have braved the terrors of tropical thunderstorms and the rigours of the Arctic.

When a reporter saw Mr. and Mrs. Watt at their home at Richmond Mr. Watt paid tribute to the value of his wife's cooperation.

Asked if they had any children, Mr. Watt replied with a laugh, "No, no Microwatts."

Housekeeping Too

Married in the summer of 1916, Mr. and Mrs. Watt started their married life in a wooden hut between Aldershot and Farnborough.

Mrs. Watt sandwiched between her housekeeping duties the job of recorder and observer for her husband.

She also provided the Aldershot Command with the correct time at noon every day.

She listened to the time signals from Berlin and Paris, with a stop-watch in one hand and a telephone in the other, and at the precisely correct moment gave the word "Go" to the Command H.Q., who sounded three pipes on a siren.

Mrs. Watt said: "I was able to do repairs to my husband's wireless apparatus, soldering connections and that sort of thing, and as I also knew the Morse code I managed to be of some help to him."

ALIENS USE SEVEN NAMES IN WEEK

Police who are checking up aliens living in Liverpool hotels and boarding houses have had their work complicated by couples registering under different names each night.

They have found cases where men and women have entered under seven different names in a week — all at the same place. The police are using their powers to inspect registration books at any hour.

SEAMAN STOPPED RUNAWAY VESSEL

Hundreds of people saw a man dive fully clothed from the George V. Bridge, Glasgow, recently, and swim to the rescue of a steamer which had broken from her moorings and was drifting helplessly with no one on board.

The man was Henry Newby, a 27-year-old merchant seaman, of Livingston Street, South Shields, who was on a few hours' shore leave from his own ship.

Crossing the George V. Bridge, he saw a small coastal vessel drifting almost broadside on and in danger of fouling other vessels moored along the river.

The coaster had broken her moorings under the strain of a strong down-stream tide and current. Her mast had caught a suspension bridge 200 yards farther up the river and snapped.

Newby leapt over the parapet and dived 40ft. into the muddy Clyde.

A few strokes brought him alongside the bow, and grasping the broken mooring rope, he swarmed aboard hand over hand.

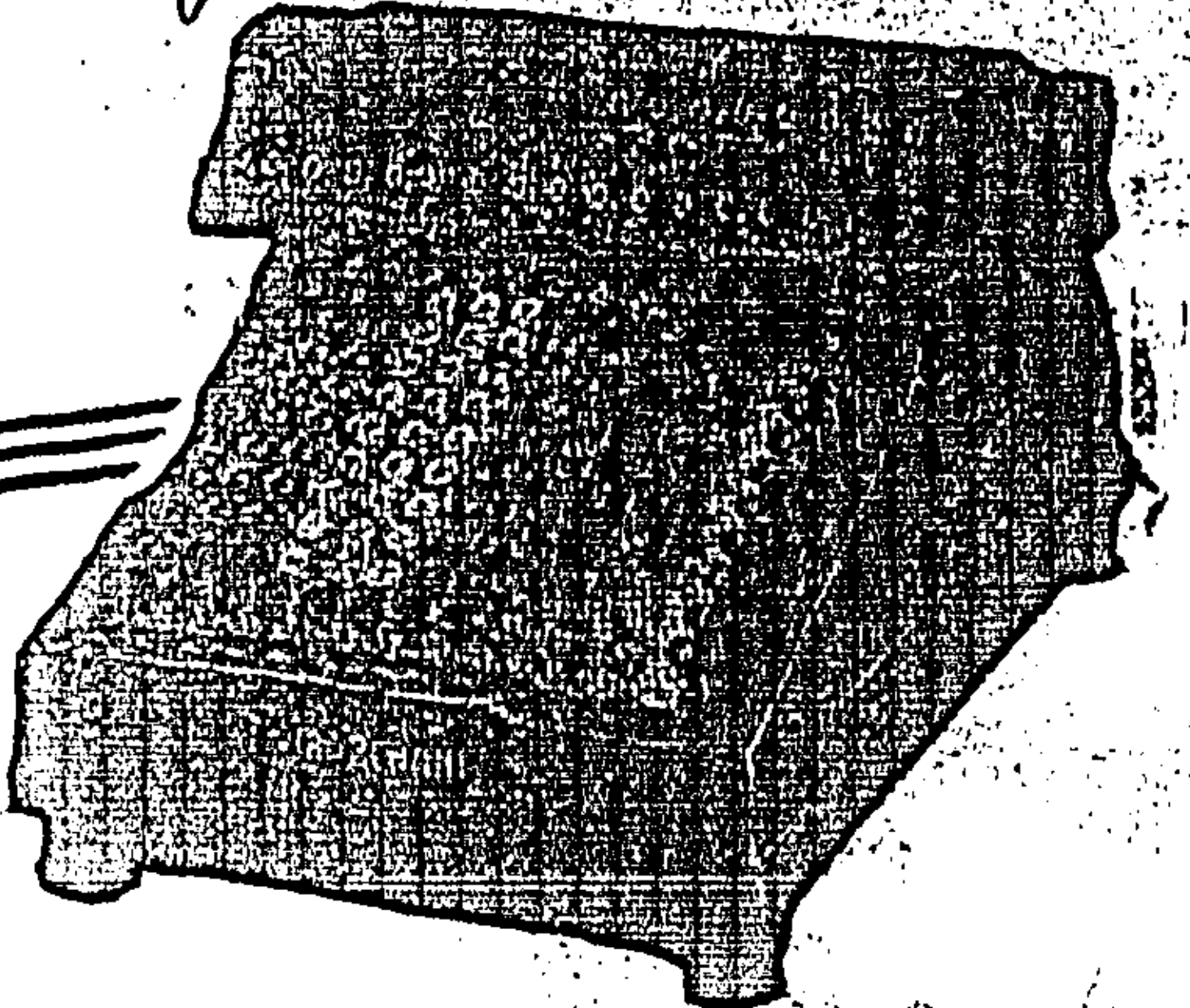
"The ship was drifting almost broadside on the current as I rushed for the helm," Newby told the interviewer. "I turned it hard over to port, but the engines were not running, and the ship did not answer to the rudder."

"I hung on however, and the bow came slowly round. As it did so two dock officials came alongside in a ferryboat."

"Thousands of people must have seen the drifting ship, but no one seemed to realise the danger she was likely to become to other berthed vessels," he added.

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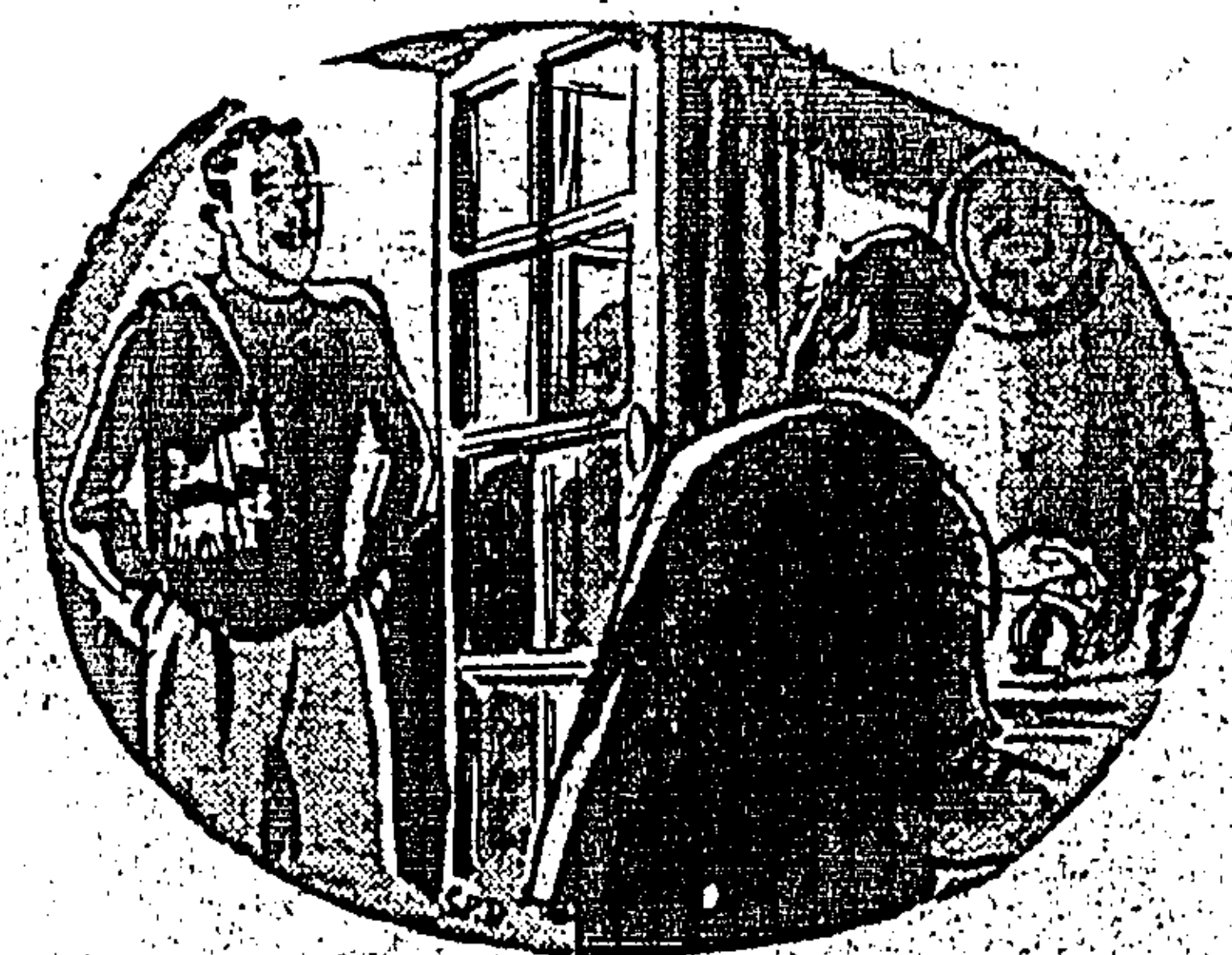
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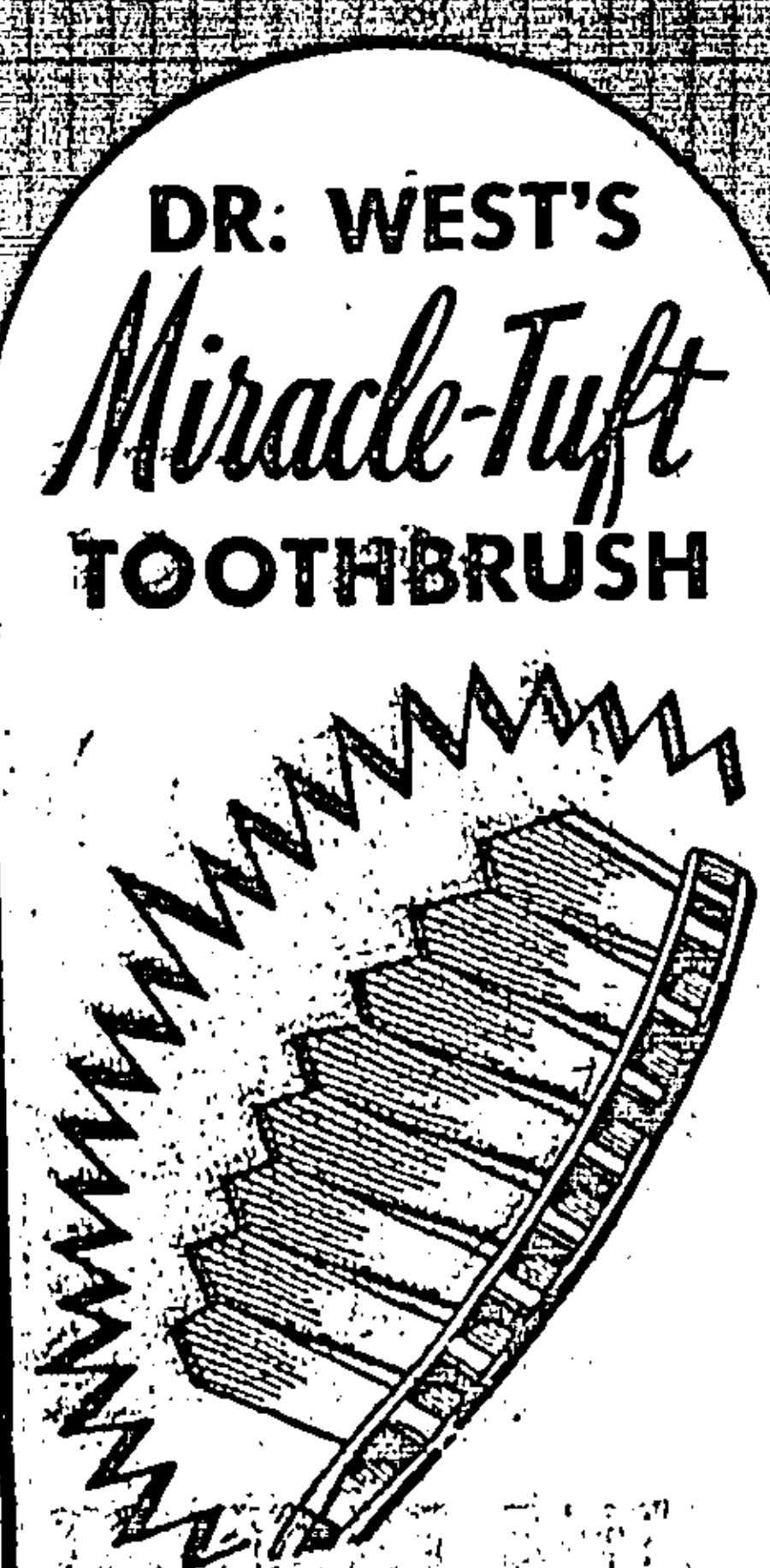
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2♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the Queen of hearts, South winning with the Ace. Declarer led a trump to dummy's King and finessed a trump, losing to West's Queen. West led another heart, and South ruffed. Declarer then played the trump Ace, discovering that West had as many trumps as he did. He therefore switched to clubs, knocking out West's club Ace. West led a third heart, and South used his last trump to ruff it. Eventually, West ruffed a club and cashed his last heart to defeat the contract.

Now — someone has committed a frightful crime, but it isn't at all obvious. See if you can spot the crime and the criminal before you read on.

South was the criminal, for he should have made his contract despite the excellent defence. He could afford to lose two trump tricks and a club, but could not afford to lose control of the hand (as actually happened). Correct play, therefore, was not to take a trump finesse!

Instead, it was correct for South to draw two rounds of trumps with dummy's King and his own Ace. Then, with three trumps still left in his hand, South could have forced out the Ace of clubs without having to fear the consequences. West would take the club Ace and lead another heart, reducing South to two trumps. But then South could lead clubs until West felt like ruffing. It would be a sort of counter-forcing game, and South would remain one jump ahead of West and therefore make his contract.

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ K 9 7
♥ 3 2
♦ A J 10 4
♣ K J 6 5

The bidding:

Jacoby	You	Schenken	Burnstone
1♥	Pass	2♥	2♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♥	Dbl.	Pass	5♠
Pass	(?)		

ANSWER: Pass. Your partner cannot be interested in a slam since he passed four spades; and you have already told your story. You must allow your partner to make this kind of decision without his having to fear that you will take him too high.

Score -100% for pass, -0 for any bid.

Question No. 819

To-day you are Howard Schenken's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you hold:

♠ Q 10 7 5
♥ 8
♦ K J 5 2
♣ Q 9 4 3

The bidding:

Schenken	Jacoby	You	Minter
1♠	2♥	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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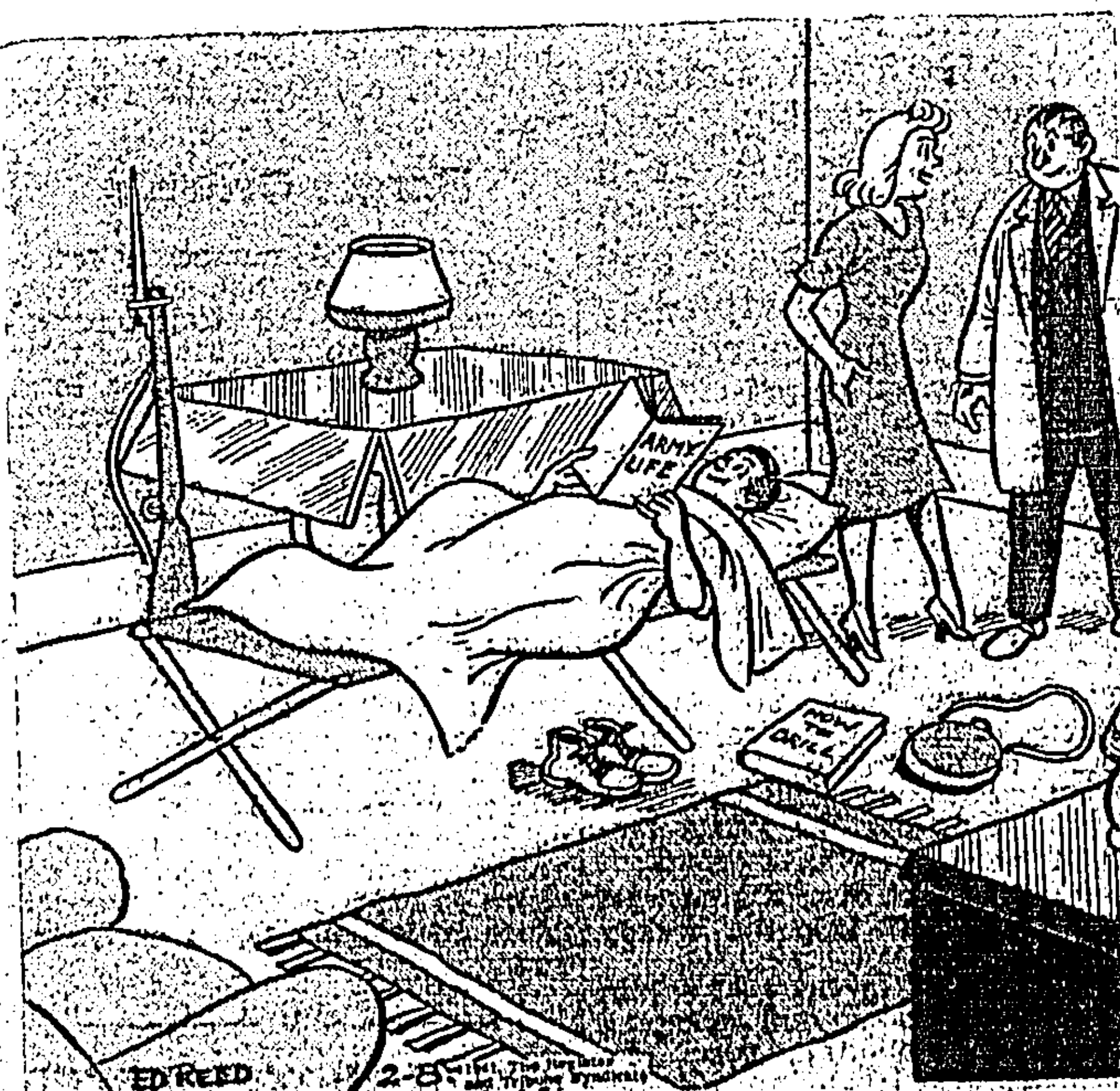
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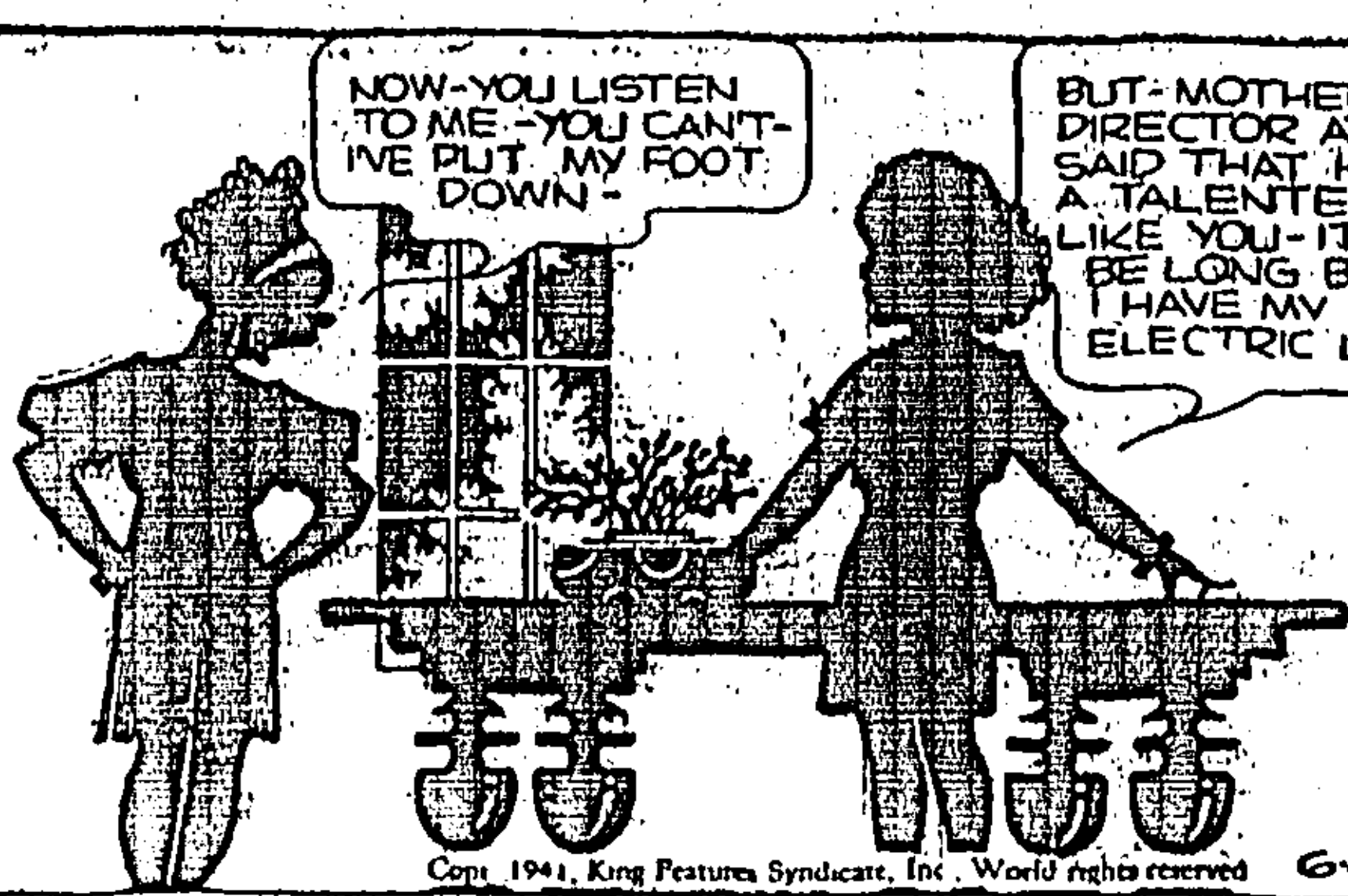
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—The Ballyhooligans and "Hutch" and His Charm Music. Fox-Trot—I Got Rhythm (Gershwin) The Ballyhooligans.

I Have Eyes (from film "Paris Honey-moon") Grandma Said (Majidson) "Hutch" & his Charm Music.

Fox-Trot—Whispering (Schonberger) Nobody's Sweetheart The Ballyhooligans.

Thanks For Everything (from film "Thanks for Everything") Hurry Home (Meyer & others) "Hutch" & his Charm Music.

Quick-Steps—Choo-Choo: China Boy The Ballyhooligans.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Programme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—New Variety. Vocal—Where Was I? (Harling-Dublin) To-night (Dominguez, Cugat, Heagney) Tony Martin with Orchestra.

Orchestral—Clavelitos (Valverde); La Violeta (Padilla) Harry Horlick & his Orchestra.

Vocal—Rum Five-Hundred-And-Four (from "Hulbert Follies") No. No. Nanette—Medley—Intro: No. No. Nanette; I Want To Be Happy; Tea For Two—Bennie Hale with Orch.

Orchestral—Nena—Tango (Ferrazano); Lagarteranas—Spanish Dance (Guerrero) Harry Horlick & his Orchestra.

Vocal Duet—Down Every Street (Mills, Nicholas) Flanagan & Allen with Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.48 p.m.—The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet and Benno Moisevitich (Piano). Valse Bluette—Air De Ballet (Drigo); Narcissus (Nevin) J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

Impromptu In A Flat (Chopin); Filtrations In A Chinese Garden; Rush Hour In Hong Kong (Chasins) Benno Moisevitich (Piano Solo). Operatic (Famous Operatic Melodies—arr. Squire) J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

Jeux D'Eau (Ravel) Benno Moisevitich (Piano Solo).

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 p.m.—The Boston Symphony Orchestra and Lawrence Tibbett. Elegie, Op. 24 (Faure) Serge Koussevitzky & The Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Even Bravest Heart (from "Faust" Act 2—Gounod) Lawrence Tibbett.

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"Rosamunde"—Ballot Music No. 2, Op. 26 (Schubert) Serge Koussevitzky & The Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Song Of The Flea (Goethe-Moussorgsky); Pilgrim's Song Op. 47, Op. 5 (Tolstol-Tchakovsky) Lawrence Tibbett (Baritone) with Orchestra.

Minuet Of The Will O' The Wisp: Hungarian March (both from "Damnation of Faust"—Berlioz) Serge Koussevitzky & The Boston Symphony Orchestra.

None But The Lonely Heart, Op. 8, No. 6 (Tchakovsky) Lawrence Tibbett with Orchestra.

Larghetto (from Concerto Grosso No. 12 in B Minor (H. Moll) (Handel) Serge Koussevitzky & The Boston Symphony Orchestra.

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening Post", Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

8.32 p.m.—Charlie Kunz (Piano) and Frances Day (Vocal).

Kunz Revivals, No. 24—Intro: Rose Marie; Indian Love Call; The Girl Friend; Tea For Two; Why Do I Love You? I Want To Be Happy—Charlie Kunz with Rhythm accomp.

Midnight & Music (from film "Who's Your Lady Friend?"); Because You Are You (Sonin & Taylor) Frances Day with Orchestra.

Kunz Revivals, No. 19—Intro: I'll See You Again; The Desert Song; My Hero; The Merry Widow; Love Will Find A Way; The Blue Danube—Charlie Kunz with Rhythm accomp.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.

9.02 p.m.—An Hour Of Classical Requests.

Symphony No. 5 In E Minor, Op. 85 ("The New World"—Dvorak)—2nd Movement: Largo The Royal Albert Hall Orchestra.

Liebesleid (Love's Joy—Kreislere); Liebesleid (Love's Sorrow—Kreislere) Fritz Kreisler (Violin) with Piano.

Song Of The Volga Boatmen (Challapine, Koenemann) Theodore Challapine (Bass) with Orchestra.

Hungarian Fantasia For Piano & Orchestra (Liszt) Jacques Dupont (Piano) & The Orchestre Symphonique de Paris.

Hungarian Dance No. 5 in F Sharp Minor (Brahms) Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden.

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Classical Requests (Cont.). Sonata in G Major, (G Dur) Op. 49, No. 2 (Beethoven)—1st Mov: Allegro ma non troppo; 2nd Mov: Tempo di Menuetto—Artur Schnabel (Piano Solo).

The Last Rose Of Summer (Moore—Traditional) The Kentucky Minstrels with Harp & Organ.

Donauweller (Danube Waves)—Waltz (Ivanovic) Orchestre Mascotte.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—A Programme of Scottish Music and Songs.

Hilbard Liddle (Carruthers) The New Mayfair Orchestra.

Will Ye No Come Back Again? (Baroness Mairne) Sydney MacEwan (Tenor) with Piano.

Scottish Melodies—Intro: Introduction; Annie Laurie; Inverness Gathering Reel; Turn Ye To Me; Bagpipe Imitation Florence Macphail (Violin) with Piano.

Ae Fond Kiss (Scott Gatty); Deil's Awa' Wi' Th' Excelsman; The Pipe O' Dundee—Alex Carmichael (Baritone) with Piano.

Bonnie Scotland—Intro: She Is Ma Daisy; Ye Banks & Braes; I Love A Lassie; Comin' Thro' The Rye; Auld Lang Syne (arr. Pether) The New Mayfair Orchestra.

10.40 p.m.—Dance Music. Fox-Trot—If I Didn't Care—Ambrose & his Orchestra.

Rumba—Antillana—Eccuona Cuban Boys.

Fox-Trot—Wishing (from film "Love Affair")—Ambrose & his Orch.

Swing Fox-Trot—The Lady's In Love With You (from film "Some Like It Hot")—Undecided—Benny Goodman & his Orchestra.

Waltz—Dearest Love (from "Operetta")—Carroll Gibbons & The Savoy Hotel Orchestra.

11.00 p.m.—London Relay—"Makers of History"—Kamal Attaturk, Turkey's Great Statesman, by Barbara Ward.

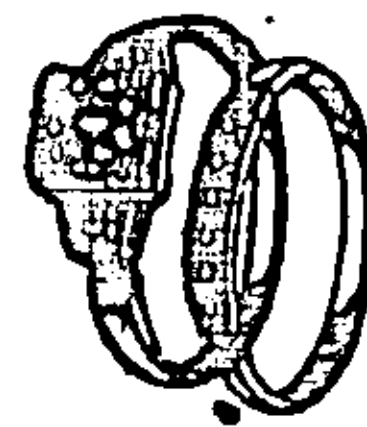
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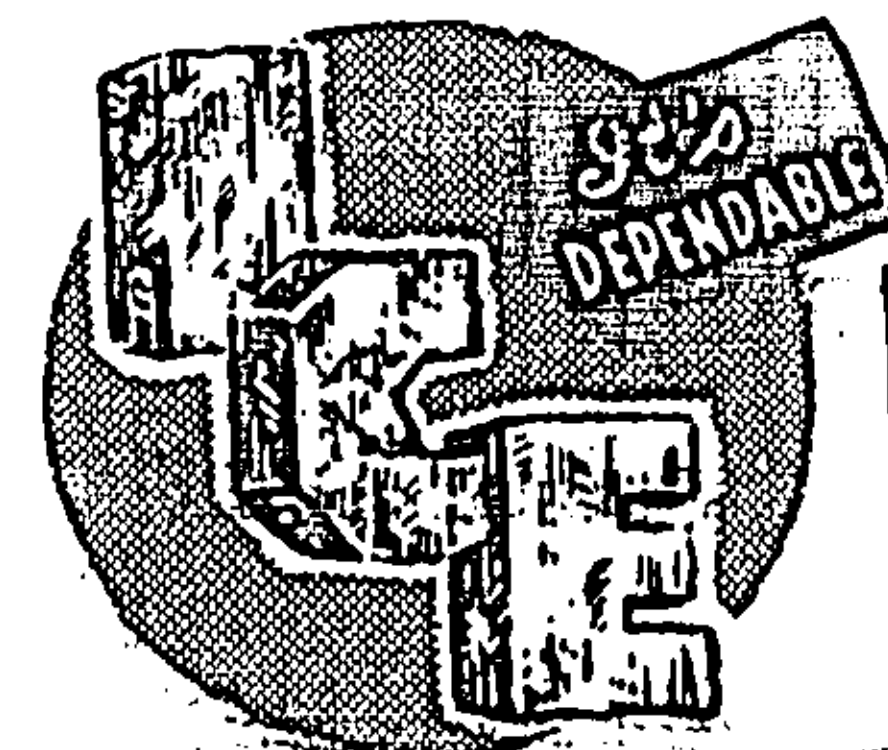


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A marriage has been arranged, and will take place at the Cathedral Church of St. Mary, Palmerston-place, between Captain Ronald Edward Warlow, the Gordon Highlanders, and Eda, daughter of the late Mr. J. E. and Mrs. J. E. Hedin, of Buffalo, New York, U.S.A.

The wedding has not taken place and this is why. Miss Hedin sailed from New York on April 27, 1940. On May 8 she landed in France, planning to fly to London.

In March this year she reached Portugal. For three months she tried to get to England. Then she caught the Clipper to New York.

"I have been told there is no chance of my being able to get from here to England as an ordinary passenger," she said. "So I am going to Canada to enlist as a nurse for active service in England."

CANAL "SPY" GAOLED

A 19-year-old messenger at the Spanish legation in Balboa, who carried an unaddressed letter offering to secure "satisfactory" information about the Panama Canal, was sentenced to gaol for 30 days and fined \$25 on conviction of trespassing on the Panama Canal Reservation.

The defendant, Jose del Rio Cumbria, a Spaniard, told the police he came from Havana, and accepted temporary employment at the Legation.

He was arrested at the Pacific entrance to the Canal carrying a camera strapped under his coat, two rolls of film, and a letter written on Spanish legation stationery saying he was coming to Panama and hoped to get information about the canal.

He also carried maps of the European battle fronts.

NAZI'S DREAD OF TERRIBLE WAR

"I WISH TO GOD THOSE OF US WHO ARE STILL WHOLE MAY BE SPARED, AND THAT THERE WON'T REMAIN TOO FEW OF US."

Private Sieberg, of the 35th German Regiment, now a Russian prisoner, wrote this in his diary.

The Soviet Embassy in London publishes extracts from the German soldier's diary under the heading, "Vengeance for Dunkirk."

Private Sieberg's entry added: "Now we, too, have experienced what this terrible war means. This morning Soviet bombers attacked us from a low altitude, and we thought that our last hour had come."

"Flying in groups of six, they appeared nine times in one day."

ROBBERY RUSE

Two Chinese, alleged to have been admitted by sub-tenants who later disappeared, robbed three women of some \$1,000 in money and jewellery at No. 100, Portland Street last night.

A 52-year-old widow, Chu Wai-ching, in a report to the police stated that at 11 p.m. a Shanghai couple who rented a cubicle in the flat brought in two strangers.

They bound and gagged the widow and two other women, and ransacked the place. When the police arrived, they found the Shanghai couple had disappeared leaving behind some scanty belongings.

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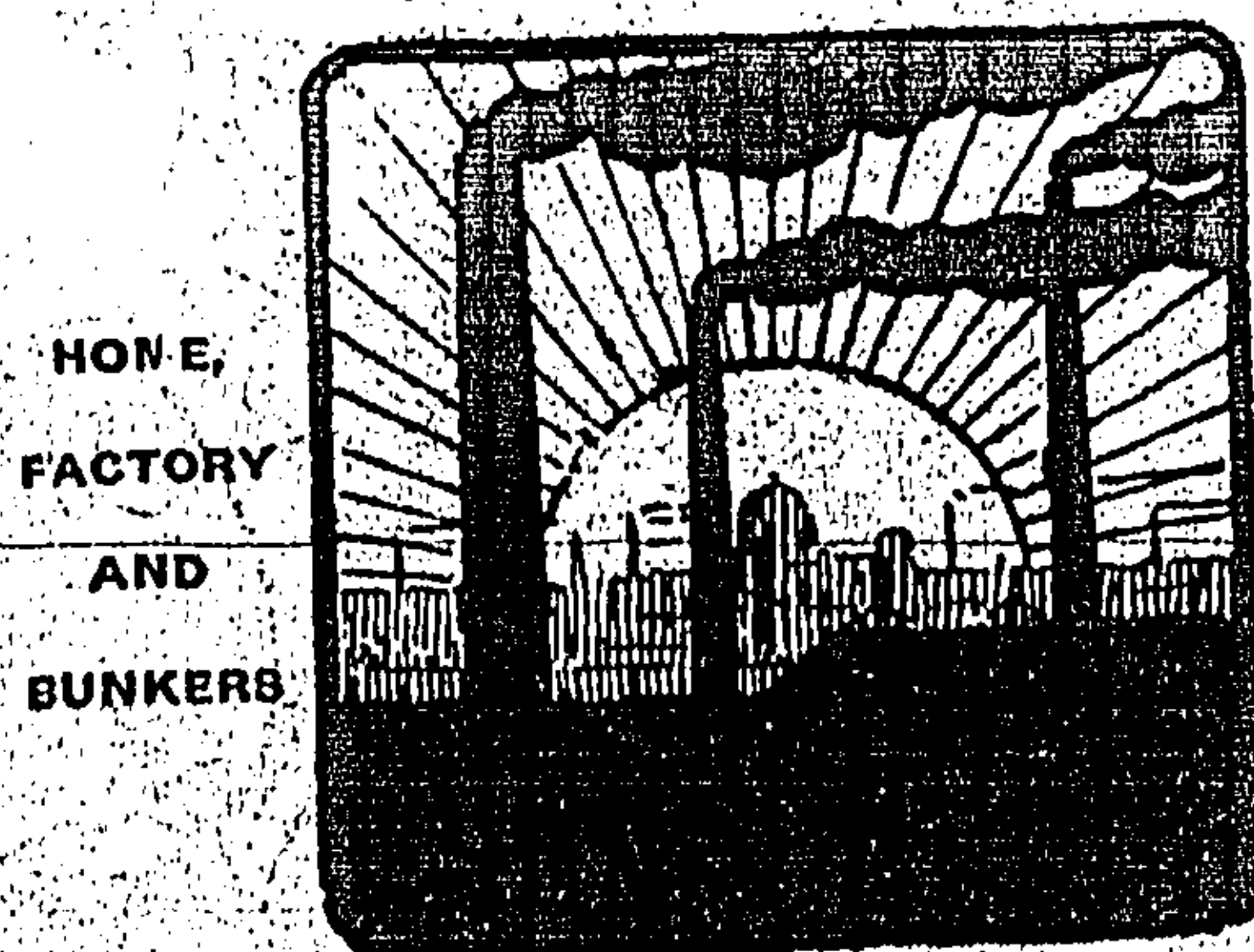
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CRAIGENGOWER WERE WITHOUT TWO GOOD MEN, BUT NO EXCUSE POSSIBLE FOR POLICE

By "Skip"

Scene: a Volunteer Company Office. Time: 0615 hrs on Sunday morning. Two copies of the "Sunday Herald" are brought in and your "Skip" opens one at the bowls page. "Good Lord" he exclaims, "What's the matter?" asks his companion, "have they taken Leningrad?" "No," I reply "but Indians beat Craigen-gower." Collapse of said companion!

Little less surprising to my mind was the defeat of Police third team by Craigen-gower, even though the game was on the latter's green. The home team did not look especially strong, whilst Jock Orem turned out as three to MacDonald.

Police are still sitting pretty though, especially in view of the fact that one of their outstanding games—the last one of the season—is against Kowloon Bowling Green Club, who narrowly lead in this division. The game is to be played at the Valley and as the Police won at Austin Road recently they must be full of confidence.

Craigen-gower Unlucky

CRAIGENGOWER were unlucky in that they had two good men absent. Rossetti was on Volunteer duty and Landolt had been selected to skip in his place, but Alf Coates just did not arrive and a substitute in Penney had to be sent for. Luckily, he was standing by in the Craigen-gower Club. This delay precluded my seeing more than a couple of ends, which was disappointing to me, but duty called at 5.30.

"Wardie" took Coates's place as three to Bradbury, while Bill Penney filling up as second man, but the combination was not nearly strong enough to hold Abbas on his own private rink, as I have previously called it. He has missed playing on it only once this season! Bradbury, it is only just to add, was far from well, and I hear he was directing the heads from a chair on the bank at one stage of the game.

A. K. Minu touched his best form against Joe Landolt, who was never in the hunt and scored only three singles and a two. His team were being outbowed all the way, although Razack put up some sort of a show against a strong lead in Khan. The rest of Landolt's men were surprisingly weak and seemed to have no fight left after the first few heads.

Omar did the expected, and it looks as if he will go through the season unbeaten. I believe C. G. Silva performed this feat some time ago, but I have not my records by me. I must look it up. He was playing brilliantly during the couple of heads I saw, saving

WOMEN'S GOLF EVENT

THE LAST EIGHT IN THE AMERICAN WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP, WHICH IS BEING PLAYED AT BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS, ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Mrs. Torgerson, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Goldthwaite, Miss Helen Giger, Miss Sylvia Lechner, Miss Clara Callender, Mrs. Hicks and Miss Janet Younger.

Miss Younger, conqueror of the holder, Miss Betty Jameson, in the first round, again played well to beat Miss Maureen Norcutt, former finalist and Curtis Cup player, in the Third Round by 7 and 6, while Miss Sylvia Lechner surprised Miss Marion Milroy, another Curtis Cup player, with a win at the 20th in the same round.

The big surprise at this stage was the elimination of Mrs. Vane, formerly Miss Glenna Collett, who had won the title six times previously. She lost by 5 and 4 to Miss Clara Callender.—Reuter.

Paul Lejko, China lightweight boxing champion, retained his title by securing a T.K.O. decision in the seventh round over Nakano at the Caidrome, Shanghai, on September 6.

SHANGHAI BOWLS CHAMPIONS

W. R. Chisom won the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Singles Championship on September 6, when he beat B. F. Marques 21—9 in the Final, while A. Marshall's four (A. Hogg, R. Matheson and A. McLean) beat R. C. Aitkenhead's rink (A. Cheetham, L. Beattie and F. McPherson) 23—17 in the Final of the Rinks Championship. The pairs title went to G. N. Manley and T. G. J. d'Almeida who beat W. J. Monk and W. J. Ward 21—14.

bowling first, unsuccessfully tried a draw, but Aitken made it look child's play by drawing the first and, just by way of an exhibition shot—possibly for my benefit—he drew the second one. The draw was not an easy one, especially as the kitty was at the road end. His subsequent win by half a dozen shots was the only point the Police secured though, for both Carey and MacDonald went down.

George Ladd claimed the former as his victim by 9 shots, Francis Lee as lead having a big say in the success.

Lionel Lammert was, I am told, rather jossy to beat MacDonald, horrible wicks when the enemy lay five on two occasions, contributing to his favourable result.

Sgt. Riches, Middlesex full-back, has injured his knee and will be out of soccer for some time.

OMAR RETAINS SAME RINK IN BID FOR 100 PER CENT. RECORD

Only the 100 per cent. Omar's rink in Craigen-gower's First Division League Bowls team for to-morrow remains unchanged for this week-end. In Bradbury's four the front men will be Souza, Hong Sling and Coates as against Leonard, Penny and Ward last week, while Rossetti will return to the side as skip and will lead Razack, Lammert and Landolt. Last week Landolt was skip with Razack, Coelho and Souza as his front men.

Electric Recreation Club have made a number of changes in their Third Division team for this week, two of the rinks being completely reshuffled as far as the front men are concerned.

In Gannet's rink Crawford and Gregory, Nos. 1 and 2 respectively, have changed positions. Butler, who had Owens, Groome and Barron in his rink the last time, will have Groome, Way and Stoker this time. Lunny's rink will be Stonehouse, Everett and Paul, as against Way, Stonehouse and Stoker when they last played.

No changes have been effected in Police First Division team, but in Third Division, Riddell and Nolan, who were Nos. 2 and 3 to Aitken the last time, have changed positions.

A few changes are noted in K.B.G.C. "A" team in First Division. Holland's rink remains intact, but in Hall's rink Lockhart will be lead instead of McNeill, the latter going as No. 2 to Duncan, the position filled by Meyer the last time they played.

There are no changes in the "B" team, except that Meyer will take over the rink skipped by Lockhart in their last game.

Kowloon Football Club's Second Division team is changed about a bit. Field will have a new No. 3 in Alenza, who replaces Chittenden, the latter taking over Kern's rink, in which Simpson, Eastman and Kern himself are the front men. No changes have been made in Youngusband's four.

In Third Division both Ogden and Ferguson retain their former rinks, but in Downman's four Fuller moves up to No. 2 from No. 3 to take Thompson's place. Lapsley, newcomer to this rink will be Downman's right-hand man.

Kowloon Tong, like the rest of the clubs, are also making a few changes in their side. Spary's four is not changed, but in Stephens' quartette Mackay, absent from the last game, a fortnight ago, when Roza deputised in his absence, returns to his normal position as lead. Key's rink sees one change, also in the No. 1 position, with Castro coming into the four in place of Tang.

Two of the Kowloon Dock rinks are the same as when played last. In the third, with Cullen as skip, Houston replaces Williamson as No. 1.

Following are the selected teams:

Selected Teams

CRAIGENGOWER

First Division (v Police R.C., away, at 4.30 p.m.):—L. Guy, C. R. Souza, W. Hong Sling, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip); A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, R. Baza and U. M. Omar (skip); A. Al Razack, L. E. Lammert, J. S. Landolt and C. S. Rossetti (skip).

Second Division (v Kowloon F.C., home, at 4.30 p.m.):—S. R. Solina, W. E. Broadbridge, E. Zimmerman and T. Lock (skip); J. H. Xavier, D. A. Rozario, H. W. Randall and W. K. Way (skip); W. P. Penny, E. S. Franks, G. S. Ladd and W. Ward (skip).

KOWLOON B.G.C.

"A" First Division (v C.S.C.C., home, at 4 p.m.):—L. Guy, G. W. Deacon, A. Hyde-Lay and A. M. Holland (skip); H. Lockhart, H. White, A. Bower and A. J. Hall (skip); W. L. Walker, W. McNeill, E. Levett and R. Duncan (skip).

"B" First Division (v I.R.C., home, at 4 p.m.):—A. J. Rogers, V. C. Dixon, P. A. Peckham and L. Sykes (skip); R. P. Phillips, E. A. Atkins, J. C. Gill and J. McKelvie (skip); P. Holloway, G. W. Elphick, I. Newton and J. G. Meyer (skip).

KOWLOON F.C.

Second Division (v Craigen-gower C.C., away, at 4 p.m.):—B. D. Evans, A. A. Dand, V. Alenza and W. V. Field (skip); W. C. Simpson, A. E. Eastman, E. Kern and V. Chittenden (skip); A. Lapsley, W. C. Ogley, W. Hyde and P. Youngusband (skip).

Third Division (v Electric R.C., home, at 4 p.m.):—R. Lau, C. H. Fuller, R. Lapsley and C. Downman (skip); G. E. Cross, C. Woodcock, A. MacIntyre and R. M. Ogden (skip); G. Frost, Y. Abbas, W. Naef and T. Ferguson (skip). Reserve: A. Thomson.

KOWLOON TONG

Second Division (v H.K.C.C., home):—H. A. Castro, A. Madar, J. Smith and A. J. Kew (skip); N. A. E. Mackay, T. K. Lim, J. N. Wong and J. L. Stephens (skip); H. Gittins, M. S. Phoon, A. E. Castro and A. Spary (skip). Reserve: J. Tang.

ELECTRIC R.C.

Third Division (v Kowloon F.C., away):—W. Stonehouse, A. G. Everett, A. F. Paul and J. F. Lunny (skip); R. E. Gregory, G. W. K. Crawford, W. E. Macfarlane and A. G. Gardner (skip); E. L. Groome, J. R. Way, W. Stoker and R. C. Butler (skip).

POLICE R.C.

First Division (v Craigen-gower C.C., home):—W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. E. Dall and J. Shepherd (skip); C. H. Gough, J. M. Forrest, E. G. Post and J. S. Fender (skip); W. J. Cameron, C. Pile, W. McHardy and W. E. Holland (skip). Reserve: J. Headridge.

Third Division (v Hong Kong C.C., away):—J. E. Hayward, F. Nolan, A. Riddell and J. C. Aitken (skip); J. Soutar, W. J. Smith, J. C. Pennell, W. MacDonald (skip); J. C. Pennell, A. A. Johnson, F. Channing and A. E. Carey (skip). Reserve: G. Willerton.

V

Andrew Sandham, former England and Surrey batsman, celebrated his 81st birthday with 100 against Westminister Bank. Sandham was assisting a team known as the Ferrets. J. G. Youngman scored 120 for the Bank and the match ended in a tie, each side scoring 212.—Reuter.

BOWLS LEAGUE RECORDS TODATE

Following are the 1941 Lawn Bowls League records to date.

HIGHEST AGGREGATE

1st Division—103, Craigen-gower C.C. v Civil Service at C.C.C.
2nd Division—91, Kowloon F.C. v Tai-koo at K.F.C.
3rd Division—105, Police R.C. v Recreio at P.R.C.

LOWEST AGGREGATE

1st Division—29, Kowloon Dock v Craigen-gower at C.C.C.
2nd Division—39, Tai-koo v Kowloon F.C. at K.F.C.
3rd Division—29, H.K. Electric v Hong Kong F.C. at H.K.F.C.

BIGGEST AGGREGATE WIN

1st Division—63, Craigen-gower v Civil Service at C.C.C.; and Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v Recreio "B" at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—54, Kowloon F.C. v Kowloon C.C. at K.F.C.
3rd Division—72, Police R.C. v Recreio at P.R.C.

HIGHEST RINK SCORE

1st Division—41, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreio "B" rink at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—40, J. C. Chalmers's Tai-koo rink (J. Nimmo, F. Thompson and F. Hillon) v T. Carr's Kowloon C.C. rink at K.C.C.
3rd Division—40, C. Wallis's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. Dinnen, A. Bower and G. E. F. Thompson) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink at Ming Yuen; and J. C. Aitken's Police R.C. rink (J. Hayward, J. S. Riddell and J. M. McWalter) v P. Yvanovich's Recreio rink at P.R.C.

LOWEST RINK SCORE

1st Division—4, L. J. Silva's Recreio "B" rink (F. A. Machado, E. L. Barros and A. F. Noronha) v J. McKelvie's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (R. P. Phillips, A. Hyde-Lay and H. E. Drew) at Recreio.
2nd Division—4, W. J. Bagley's Prison Officers' rink (A. W. Hircok, J. Jamieson and J. W. Fitzgerald) v J. L. Stephens' K. Tong rink (N. A. E. Mackay, T. K. Lim and J. N. Wong) at Stanley.
3rd Division—5, J. Russell's H.K. Football Club rink (A. Bailey, J. Ralston and B. I. Bickford) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink (W. Stoker, C. E. Gahagan and R. C. Butler) at Ming Yuen; and P. Yvanovich's Recreio rink (P. Almeida, A. M. Silva and E. A. R. Alves) v R. M. Ogden's Kowloon F.C. rink (G. Cross, C. Woodcock and A. MacIntyre) at K.F.C.

BIGGEST RINK WIN

1st Division—39, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreio "B" rink at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—34, J. C. Chalmers's Tai-koo rink (J. Nimmo, F. Thompson and F. Hillon) v T. Carr's Kowloon C.C. rink at K.C.C.
3rd Division—31, J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink (W. Stoker, C. E. Gahagan and R. C. Butler) v J. Russell's H.K. Football Club rink at Ming Yuen.

SKIP WINS MATCH

1st Division—J. F. Macgowan (Civil Service) v E. C. Fincher (Kowloon C.C.); T. A. Madar (Kowloon C.C.) v J. J. Banta (Recreio "B"); J. McKelvie (Kowloon B.G.C. "A") v L. J. Silva (Recreio "B"); C. A. Lopes (Recreio "B") v J. W. Deakin (Civil Service); A. M. Calman (Kowloon C.C.) v T. A. Madar (Kowloon C.C.); J. Shepherd (Police R.C.) v M. Ferguson (K. Dock) and U. M. Omar (Craigen-gower C.C.) v A. R. Dallah (Indian R.C.).

2nd Division—A. J. Kew (K. Tong) v R. S. Meadows (Kowloon C.C.); W. Macfarlane (H.K. Football Club) v J. R. Soares (Recreio); K. S. Robertson (H.K. Football Club) v E. Kern (Kowloon F.C.) and J. R. Soares (Recreio); J. M. Jack (Kowloon C.C.) v K. S. Robertson (H.K. Football Club); G. E. Costello (H.K. Cricket Club) v J. McCutcheon (Prison Officers) and W. Melrose (Tai-koo); J. L. Stephens (K. Tong) v W. J. Bagley (Prison Officers); W. W. Parsons (Kowloon C.C.) v M. J. Medina (Craigen-gower C.C.); and W. J. Bagley (Prison Officers) v E. Kern (Kowloon F.C.) and J. A. Watson (Tai-koo).

3rd Division—M. F. Alarcon (Recreio) v A. McKellar (H.K.C.C.); C. F. Needham (H.K. Football Club) v R. M. Ogden (Kowloon F.C.); S. M. Rumjahn (Indian R.C.) v P. C. Morgan (H.K. Football Club); C. Wallis (Kowloon B.G.C.) v S. H. Strange (H.K. Football Club) and E. S. Abraham (H.K. Cricket Club); A. M. Wahab (Indian R.C.) v A. E. Carey (Police R.C.); P. A. Yvanovich (Recreio) v G. S. Graver (H.K. Football Club); A. J. Coelho (Craigen-gower C.C.) v P. A. Yvanovich (Recreio); H. Nish (Kowloon B.G.C.) v A. M. Wahab (Indian R.C.); R. M. Ogden (Kowloon F.C.) v P. A. Yvanovich (Recreio) and J. C. Aitken (Police) v H. Nish (Kowloon B.G.C.).

"POSSIBLES" (EIGHT)

1st Division—A. R. Dallah's Indian R.C. rink (J. Hoosen, A. K. Ismail and U. A. Rumjahn) v P. A. Peckham's Kowloon B.G.C. "B" rink at Soukumpoo.

2nd Division—W. J. Howard's K. Tong rink (H. Gittins, W. M. Gittins and A. E. H. Castro) v W. J. Bagley's Prison Officers' rink at K. Tong; G. E. Costello's H.K. Cricket Club rink (S. L. Lloyd, J. G. Halgh and H. G. Wallington) v R. S. Meadows's Kowloon C.C. rink at H.K.C.C.; and E. Kern's Kowloon F.C. rink (W. Naef, A. Eastman and C. Downman) v C. Gowland's Prison Officers' rink at Stanley.

3rd Division—C. Wallis's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. Dinnen, A. Bower and G. E. F. Thompson) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink at Ming Yuen.

SEVENS

1st Division—R. Duncan's Kowloon B.G.C. "B" rink (V. C. Dixon, W. C. Hadder and H. Lockhart) v B. Banta's Recreio "B" rink at K.B.G.C.; R. Duncan's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (W. L. Walker, E. Levett and J. McKelvie) v J. C. S. Fender's Police R.C. rink at P.R.C.; E. W. Bradbury's Craigen-gower C.C. rink (L. C. R. Souza, N. P. Karanjia and A. E. Coates) v J. Kempton's K. Dock rink at C.C.C.; A. J. Hall's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (R. P. Phillips, H. Lockhart and H. White) v R. F. Luz's Recreio "A" rink at K.B.G.C.; F. X. Silva's Recreio "A" rink (L. F. Xavier, H. A. Alves and J. E. Noronha) v U. M. Omar's Craigen-gower C.C. rink at C.C.C.; W. Malt's Police R.C. rink (C. Gough, C. Pile and G. Perkins) v F. X. Silva's Recreio "A" rink at P.R.C.; C. S. Rossetti's Craigen-gower C.C. rink (A. Razack, L. Gaddi and J. S. Landolt) v E. C. Fincher's Kowloon C.C. rink at K.C.C.; U. M. Omar's Craigen-gower C.C. rink (A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar and R. Baza) v A. J. Hall's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink at C.C.C.; A. R. Dallah's Indian R.C. rink at C.C.C. (including a seven and a six at consecutive ends); and J. F. V. Ribeiro's Recreio "A" rink (J. F. V. Luz, C. E. Marques and L. F. Xavier) v M. N. Rakusen's Civil Service rink at C.S.C.C.

2nd Division—C. Gowland's Prison Officers' rink (A. Perry, G. V.

McGrath and J. McCutcheon) v R. S. Meadows's Kowloon C.C. rink at Stanley; and W. Macfarlane's H.K. Football Club rink (A. Watson, J. H. Gelling and C. F. Needham) v J. R. Soares's Recreio rink at H.K.F.C.

3rd Division—K. C. Hamilton's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (H. Bicknell, G. Elphick and L. Jordan) v C. C. Pereira's Recreio rink at Recreio; A. J. Coelho's Craigen-gower rink (L. M. Roza, M. A. Baptista and E. S. Franks) v R. A. Edwards's H.K. Cricket Club rink at C.C.C.; D. A. Rozario's Craigen-gower rink (W. E. Broadbridge, F. K. Modi and G. S. Ladd) v S. H. Strange's H.K. Football Club rink at H.K.F.C.; H. Nish's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor and E. V. Searle) v G. S. Graver's H.K. Football Club rink at K.B.G.C.; J. T. Smalley's Kowloon F.C. rink (B. Williams, G. Frost, Y. Abbas) v G. S. Graver's H.K. Football Club rink at K.F.C.; B. A. Mansell's H.K. Football Club rink (T. H. Pearce, B. I. Bickford and G. E. Stephens) v H. R. Pinna's Recreio rink at Recreio; and G. S. Graver's H.K. Football Club rink (K. W. Forrow, J. M. Thomson and A. G. Gratton) v A. G. Gardner's H.K. Electric rink at H.K.F.C.

CONSECUTIVE WINNING ENDS

1st Division—12, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreio "B" rink at K.B.G.C.

2nd Division—13, J. M. Jack's Kowloon C.C. rink (A. C. Tribble, A. H. Martin and R. Leigh) v K. S. Robertson's H.K. Football Club rink at H.K.F.C.

3rd Division—13, J. Macdonald's Police R.C. rink (A. Soutar, C. Wilcox and J. McHardy) v B. A. Mansell's H.K. Football Club rink at P.R.C.; and H. Nish's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor and E. V. Searle) v D. A. Rozario's Craigen-gower C.C. rink at K.B.G.C.

DEVASTATING RUN OF SCORING

1st Division—27, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreio "B" rink at K.B.G.C.

2nd Division—22, J. M. Jack's Kowloon C.C. rink (A. C. Tribble, A. H. Martin and R. Leigh) v K. S. Robertson's H.K. Football Club rink at H.K.F.C.

3rd Division—24, J. C. Aitken's Police R.C. rink (J. Hayward, J. Riddell and W. McWalter) v J. K. Sloan's H.K. Electric rink at P.R.C.

WINNING HEADS

1st Division—18, J. McKelvie's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (R. P. Phillips, A. Hyde-Lay and H. E. Drew) v L. J. Silva's Recreio "B" rink at Recreio; and A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreio "B" rink at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—17, J. L. Stephens's K. Tong rink (N. A. E. Mackay, T. K. Lim and J. N. Wong) v W. J. Bagley's Prison Officers' rink at Stanley.
3rd Division—17, J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink (W. Stoker, C. E. Gahagan and R. C. Butler) v J. Russell's H.K. Football Club rink at Ming Yuen; and J. Macdonald's Police R.C. rink (A. Soutar, C. Wilcox and W. McHardy) v B. A. Mansell's H.K. Football Club rink at P.R.C.; H. Nish's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor and E. V. Searle) v D. A. Rozario's Craigen-gower C.C. rink at K.B.G.C.; and J. Ralston's H.K. Football Club rink (A. Bailey, J. Russell and S. H. Strange) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink at H.K.F.C.

ARMY RUGBY WITHOUT DOUGLASS, HOOK, DUKE & BERRY THIS SEASON

By "Scrum-Half"

Army Rugby will feel the loss of Douglass, Hook, Duke and Berry this season, but I understand they have several very useful newcomers, among whom is Capt. Rose, who played in the Edinburgh Wanderers' pack prior to the outbreak of war.

S.C.A.A.'s THIRD TITLE

South China Athletic Association won their third League Tennis Championship of the season when, at King's Park yesterday, they beat Chinese Recreation Club (1) by 8 sets to 1 in Third Division of the League.

The new champions—C.R.C. won it last season—thus went through the season without a defeat, having won 69½ sets out of a possible 90.

This is the first time in the history of the Club that they have won three titles in a single season, and as their First Division team also stand an excellent chance of finishing on top of their section, a South China clean sweep would not come as a surprise to followers of the game.

Yesterday's scores were:—

K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong (S.C.A.A.)	beat	T. F. Lo and H. N. Chau	6-2
beat	C. Wei and H. Chung	6-3	
beat	P. H. Chiu and K. Y. Chan	6-4	
C. P. Ip and C. L. Lau (S.C.A.A.)	beat	Lo and Chan	6-2
beat	Lo and Chan	6-2	
beat	Lo and Chan	6-2	
K. C. Wong and K. C. Sit (S.C.A.A.)	beat	Lo and Chan	6-2
beat	Lo and Chan	6-3	
beat	Lo and Chan	6-3	
beat	Lo and Chan	6-2	

Table To Date

S.C.A.A.	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
S.C.A.A.	10	10	0	0	69½	20½	20
A.T.C.	9	8	1	0	63	19	16
C.C.C.	7	6	1	0	39	24	12
C.R.C. (2)	9	6	3	0	55	26	12
C.O.R.	8	5	2	1	42½	39½	11
K.I.T.C.	8	4	3	1	39½	32½	9
K.C.C.	10	3	7	0	28½	61½	6
C.R.C. (1)	7	2	5	0	24½	38½	4
K.T.G.C.A.	7	2	5	0	18	45	4
H.K.U.T.C.	8	1	7	0	24½	47½	2
I.R.C.	10	0	10	0	19	71	0

Mr. R. P. Phillips, Hon. Secretary, H.K. Lawn Bowls Association, has asked the "China Mail" to draw the attention of those players who have not yet played off their First Round matches in the Colony Singles Championship to the fact that they are requested to do so without further delay, as they are holding up the draw for Second Round games.

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Club May Enter League

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB ARE CONSIDERING ENTERING THE CRICKET LEAGUE, JUDGING BY A CIRCULAR SENT OUT YESTERDAY TO MEMBERS INTERESTED IN CRICKET.

Practice nets will be up on Monday next and the first inter-club game will be on Saturday, September 27.

The Club did not enter the League last season.

NEW TIMES FOR START OF SOCCER GAMES

Permission for two Charity games during the week-end September 20-21 was granted at the monthly meeting of Hong Kong Football Association, held yesterday under the chairmanship of Mr. Wong Ka-tsun.

On Saturday, September 20, Eastern and Sing Tao will meet Combined Services, while on Sunday, September 21, South China will meet last season's Governor's Cup team. The proceeds will go to Chinese and British charities.

In view of daylight-saving, it was decided that junior and senior matches should start at 4.15 p.m. and 5.45 p.m. respectively in September and 3.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. in October and November and 15 minutes earlier in December and January.

The application of the Referees' Association that the annual game between Referees and Press be played on November 11 was granted.

The application of Hong Kong Referees' Association that Football Association recognise the examinations carried out by them was not granted. It was decided that Hong Kong Football Council would examine all civilian referees, as previously.

It was also decided that the referee was to be the sole judge of whether a ground was fit for play or not and that clubs be informed of this decision immediately.

FALLACE STAYING A LITTLE LONGER

Fallace, the Tientsin soccer importer, who was reported yesterday to have left the Colony, has delayed his departure and will be assisting Club in a number of games. He will be playing tomorrow for Club against Royal Engineers.

Easier Golf

CURING A HOOK By Best Ball

Craig Wood's ability to stay clear of hooks and drive his ball straight down the centre of the narrow Colonial Fairways at Ft. Worth was of particular value in winning the National Open title. This factor is all the more outstanding for Wood has more than once lost a major crown by this very fault. In fact the situation was so serious when Wood was 35 that he decided to change his entire game to eliminate his hooking tendencies.

Whereas Wood had formerly been putting in plenty of right hand punch in his strokes, with the hand well under the shaft, he switched to placing the right hand on top. This counteracted a habit of wrist rolling. It also set the stage for a shift from an open club face at the top of the stroke to a closed one. In many cases this very procedure results in a hook. In Wood's case it happened to be insurance against it. Now his

ARMY SERVICE CORPS STRENGTHENED BY TWO EXCELLENT NEWCOMERS

By "Referee"

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS, JUNIOR SHIELD CHAMPIONS AND RUNNERS-UP IN SECOND DIVISION OF THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE LAST SEASON, ARE FULLY CONFIDENT OF BRINGING OFF THE JUNIOR "DOUBLE" AS THEY HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED BY TWO EXCELLENT NEWCOMERS AND HAVE LOST ONLY ONE OF LAST SEASON'S PLAYERS.

THE NEWCOMERS ARE BLEZZARD, A FULL-BACK WHO PLAYED FOR WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS' JUNIOR TEAM AND ALSO BOURNE-MOUTH RESERVES AND WHO, ACCORDING TO A COMPETENT ARMY SOCCER OFFICIAL, SHOULD WALK INTO THE ARMY SIDE AND MOST REPRESENTATIVE GAMES.

The other is Defty, a centre-forward who is expected to add further strength to an already dangerous forward line.

The only departure is Bradshaw, last season's left-back, who has left the Colony.

Mattison, who kept goal for the greater part of last season, will again be seen in goal. Murray, who played some very good games last season, will probably be one of the backs with Blezzard occupying the other position, while Hamlin will be a good understudy.

Same Half-Back Trio

The intermediate line will be unchanged, comprising Smart, Young and Hammond. The last-named came very much into prominence in the closing stages of last season.

In the attack Glen and Martin will be left and right-wingers respectively, and it will be recalled that both were given trials for Army last season. Defty will lead the attack and will be supported by Morgan at inside-right and Weir, who played several games for Army, at inside-left.

Last season Service Corps were obliged to withdraw their Third Division side owing to departures, but they have again entered this division this season, and their team will be composed mostly of newcomers who have not yet been seen in action.

NEWCOMERS TO SHELL SIDE

SHELL Sports Club, who made their debut in Third Division last season, met with little success but benefited greatly by the experience gained in League Football. They have been strengthened this season by several good players.

Lee Yuen-kuen, brother of the well-known Lee Wai-ko, leader of the now defunct Chinese Athletic side, will be in the attack. He has played plenty of football in Swatow until recently and was very prominent in school football.

Teddy Tang, a promising youngster from La Salle College, has also joined the team, while it is hoped Dick Alves,

ex-Recreation player, and Matias, who played for Kowloon Juniors last season, will also be turning out.

Shell, however, have had no opportunity for practice games owing to lack of grounds.

Following are their players:—Tang Chak, Lau Woon, Lau Wing, Cheng Uicheng, L. Woo, Ablong, Cheuk Kai-chuen, Man Chi-ki, Wan Lo-kwan, Kwok Yik-on, Ho Wing, Ng Kein-hung, Tse Tak-kong, H. Wing Lee, Wong Tse-kee, N. Spence, D. E. Demmee and H. de Sa.

ORDNANCE LOSE STEVENS

ROYAL Army Ordnance Corps, who met with varying success in Second Division last season, are one of the few Military teams who have had no newcomers recently and who will therefore have to depend entirely on last season's team for the coming season.

Ordnance have been greatly hit by the attachment of Stevens, their centre-half, to 24th R.A., as it is reported that he will be turning out for that Battery. He was the mainstay of their defence.

Reynolds, goalkeeper of the English team which won the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup Series last season, will again be seen in goal, with Adams and Jones as the backs.

Nicholls will be in his old position at right-half, with Roberts, last season's full-back, occupying the pivotal position vacated by Stevens. The left-half berth will be entrusted to either Russell or Jones as both these players are equally at home at back or at half.

Positional changes can be expected in the attack. Gardner, who was injured last season, will be returning to the side, thus allowing Emberson, last season's right-winger, to play in the inside-right position. Hewittson will lead the attack, with Duffield on the left wing and Harding at inside-left.

Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club Home Staff are meeting Local Staff in a friendly floodlit lawn bowls game this evening at Ming Yuen at 8 p.m. prior to which opportunity will be taken to make a presentation to Mr. J. G. McKenna on his departure from the Company.

Outstanding performances in the League cricket matches played in Shanghai on September 6, were as follows:—H. P. Madar (Tyros) 80 v Police; S. V. Gash (Police) 84 not out v Tyros; B. B. Boddy (Police) 48 v Tyros; J. C. Jenkins (Stragglers) 7 for 9 v Wanderers; H. Meston (Tyros) 5 for 38 v Police; and F. C. Woodley (Police) 6 for 52 v Tyros.

STARTING TIMES

Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's starting times for Fanning on Sunday, are as follows:

OLD COURSE	
9.10 a.m.	G. C. Worrall, R. Forrest.
9.20	S. S. Church, W. Hewitt.
9.24	I. H. Gear, T. J. J. Fenwick.
9.28	B. B. Purves, G. M. Park.
9.32	J. A. D. Morrison, K. S. Morrison.
9.36	A. E. Lissaman, D. S. Robb.
9.50	E. G. Price, F. A. Redmond.
10.16	R. R. Davis, R. S. W. Patterson.
10.20	C. W. E. Bishop, J. D. Clague.

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OMAR BROTHERS WIN IN PAIRS EVENT BUT ARE NOT IMPRESSIVE

IN THE QUARTER-FINAL OF THE COLONY LAWN BOWLS PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP YESTERDAY A. M. OMAR AND U. M. OMAR BEAT H. R. PINNA AND B. BASTO 21-15 ON POLICE R.C. GREEN.

ANNUAL MEETING OF C.B.A.

The annual general meeting of Central British Association was held at King's Park yesterday, the Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell being in the chair, supported by Mr. T. S. D. Whitley, Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. Semmelmann, Hon. Treasurer, and Miss N. Wiltchell.

Reading a report of activities during the year under review, Mr. Whitley said that the evacuation had deprived the Association of many lady members and had also robbed the Association of one of its main sources of supply of new members—the Central British School.

Presenting his financial report, Mr. Semmelmann disclosed that the year under review was in every way satisfactory and reported a profit of \$1,450.38.

A proposal that the membership fee for men be raised to \$20 per annum and for women to \$15 per annum, payable half-yearly, was defeated.

Debenture Issue

A further proposal that the question of issuing 5 per cent. mortgage debentures, with the Club-house as security, be considered was adopted and referred to a sub-committee for further consideration.

Mr. Taylor proposed and it was passed that the Association issue and put on sale for six months three hundred \$10 five per cent. mortgage debentures to Club members, such debentures to be repayable over 10 years at the rate of 30 a year to be drawn by lots.

Before the meeting closed, Mr. W. Mulcahy stated that a number of members had suggested the formation of a cricket team this year. It was agreed that the Committee appoint a sub-committee to handle the suggestion.

The following officers for the year 1941-42 were elected.—President, Rev. G. E. S. Upsdell; Vice-President, Mr. J. J. King; Hon. Secretary, Mr. D. T. Smith; Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mr. N. M. Wiltchell; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. T. L. Lockhart; Committee, Mrs. I. Joyce, Mrs. G. Davies, Messrs. C. Semmelmann, G. Arnold, T. S. D. Whitley, G. Gurevitch, W. Mulcahy and C. McEwen.



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Basto and his partner started off with 1 2 2, but the feature of the game was that, apart from their 5, the Omars did not register a bigger count than 2, and they had four of these.

The game was well-contested, but if the Omars are going to wrest the title from H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro, who have held it for two years, they will have to produce a better brand of bowls than they did last evening.

The scores were:—
OMAR: 000112051202011
110120 = 21
BASTO: 122000100010200
003003 = 15

Post In 2nd Round

At Kowloon Football Club yesterday, E. G. Post beat J. J. Basto by 21-13 after 22 ends in the First Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.

It was anybody's game up to the 17th, when Post was leading by only 4 shots, 14-10—but after that his opponent could manage only 1 1 0 2 against a couple of threes and a single chalked up by him.

Basto actually led 9-8 at the 12th, but was then blanked at four ends for Post to lead 14-9. Scores were:—

POST: 001120120100221
1003031 = 21
BASTO: 110001003021000
0110200 = 13

MINIATURE FOOTBALL

Two matches in the miniature football competition sponsored by St. Joseph's Football Club were decided on the Causeway Bay ground last evening, when Koon Kwan beat Engineers 9-1 and Chin Tsun lost to South China 3-2.

Ho Yau-ki (3), Soong Ling-sing (4) and Chu Kam-shing (2) scored for Koon Kwan while Shaw scored Sappers' solitary goal.

In the second encounter, Cheung Kam-hoi netted for Chin Tsun from a penalty, and Cheung Kam-hoi scored the second. Chow Man-chi and Lee Shek-yau (2) netted for South China.

TO-DAY'S MATCH

At the Navy ground, at 5.45 p.m. to-day, Ah Q will meet Koon Kwan.

BASKETBALL TO-NIGHT

Two matches in the Open Basketball League will be played at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. this evening, when National University meet Ping Ching and South China clash with Indian Police.

HOCKEY ON SKATES

Second Round fixtures of the Hockey League on roller skates, sponsored by "Chi Yin Yat Po," were arranged yesterday, and two matches will be decided to-night as follows:—

At Kowloon Skating Rink (8 p.m.)
K.S.R. "B" v K.S.R. "A"
At King's Skating Rink (8.30 p.m.)
King's v Blitz

S/Sgt. Emberson beat L/Cpl. Glasgow 6-2, 6-3 in the Army Singles Tennis Championship at Sookunpo yesterday.

Miss Phoebe Lo won the Lawn Tennis Singles Championship of Diocesan Girls' School when she beat Miss Patsy Kotewall 7-5, 6-3 in the Final on Wednesday.

Colony Aquatic Mark Bettered By Ng Nin

Ng Nin, joint holder of the Colony record for the 50 Yards free-style event with D. H. Taylor, yesterday shattered the old mark of 24 4/5 secs. when, swimming in the heats for the forthcoming Colony Championships at V.R.C., he was clocked at 24 3/5 seconds.

Immediately preceding this, Tsui Hang, swimming in the first heat of the same event, was clocked at 25 secs. Opinion varies whether he, too, would not have broken the record had he not stopped almost half-way through the second lap when he lost his cap and hit the side of the bath all at the same time!

Miss Vivienne Churn, Colony ladies' 100 Yards free-style champion, had bad luck in that a faulty turn in the women's 50 Yards breast-stroke caused her disqualification after she had finished an easy winner in her particular heat.

In the Men's 150 Yards Medley Relay Race, E. A. Roberts' failure, after his first two men, N. Hammond (back-stroke) and D. Hutchinson (breast-stroke) had given him an excellent lead, forced European Y.M.C.A. into third place in their heat.

In the men's 220 Yards free-style Chan Chun-nam, Colony champion, was beaten into second place by Yau Sai-kwan, but the outstanding feature of this event was the excellent showing of Lau



NG NIN

Tai-ping, who, though not seriously challenged, covered the distance in 2 mins. 28 1/5 secs., as against Yau's 2 mins. 30 1/5 secs.

Following were the results:—

Men's 50 Yards free-style:—First Heat: 1. *Tsui Hang (25 secs.); 2. *Wong Chi-hung; 3. Lo Yuk-wing. Second Heat: 1. *Ng Nin (24 3/5 secs. Record); 2. *D. Hutchinson; 3. *Shek Kam-pui.

V.R.C. Women's 50 Yards Handicap:—First Heat: *Miss Y. Yelle; 2. *Mrs. J. Crawford; 3. Miss M. Gutierrez. Second Heat: 1. *Miss C. Yelle; 2. *Miss Y. Remedios; 3. *Miss T. Yvanovich.

Men's 220 Yards free-style:—First Heat: 1. *Yau Sai-kwan (2 mins. 32 secs.); 2. *Chan, Chun-nam; 3. *C. Huang. Second Heat: 1. *Lau Tai-ping (2 mins. 28 1/5 secs.); 2. *Chiu Wai-lin.

V.R.C. Women's 25 Yards back-stroke:—First Heat: 1. *Miss Y. Yelle; 2. *Miss T. Noronha; 3. *Miss J. Yelle. Second Heat: 1. *Miss C. Yelle; 2. *Miss M. Gutierrez; 3. Miss U. Khoo.

Women's 50 Yards breast-stroke:—First Heat: 1. *Miss Tsang Fung-kwan (39 2/5 secs.); 2. *Miss Li Po-lun; 3. Miss M. Noronha. Second Heat: 1. *Miss Ho Wai-man (40 secs.); 2. *Miss Chan Choi-pan. Miss Vivienne Churn was disqualified for a faulty turning.

Men's 150 Yards medley relay Race: First Heat: 1. *Sing Tao (1 min. 30 secs.); 2. *Eastern; 3. *European. "Y" Second Heat: 1. *V.R.C. (1 min. 29 secs.); 2. *Lai Tsun; 3. University. *Qualifies for final.

To-day's Heats

Following heats will be decided this evening commencing at 6.07 p.m.:

Colony Championship: Men's 440 Yards free-style. Men's 220 Yards breast-stroke. Women's 100 Yards breast-stroke. Women's 50 Yards free-style.

V.R.C. Members: 220 Yards free-style Junior Championship.

50 Yards free-style Handicap.

V.R.C. Boys: 75 Yards Medley Handicap.

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CHUNGKING ATTITUDE

Divided Views On U.S.-Japanese Talks

TOWN FINED FOR SABOTAGE

The inhabitants of the important industrial town of Enschede, in eastern Holland, have been fined 50,000 guilders by the German commissar for "committing acts of sabotage," it was learned in Dutch circles in London yesterday. Nature of the sabotage was not stated.—Reuter.

YOSHIZAWA PRESTIGE

The appointment, announced on Wednesday, of Mr. Yoshizawa as special envoy in Indo-China, has aroused considerable interest in Saigon.

It is felt that his setback in the N.E.I. has clearly caused no loss of personal prestige and Japan is using his unrivalled knowledge of southern Pacific conditions to coordinate their more obvious gains.

AS SPECIAL ENVOY, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR, HE WILL HAVE FULL POWERS TO CONSOLIDATE RELATIONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND INDO-

Main Topic Of Interest

THE EVE OF President Roosevelt's eagerly-awaited broadcast finds the discussions between the United States and Japan still the main topic of interest in Chungking, with opinions apparently divided.

Some quarters still see the possibility of compromise arrangements being made between the two countries while others think a settlement is unlikely.

Chinese reports from Washington indicate that no settlement has yet been reached, and similar views are shared by American circles.

That the United States will not come to an agreement with Japan on the Far Eastern situation, except in the form of a basic settlement, is the belief expressed in Chungking.

The suggestion from Tokyo that if the United States resumed oil shipments to Japan the latter would not interfere with American oil shipments to Russia, via Vladivostok, was described by the official "Central Daily News" as "another Konoye trick."

Breathing Space

Declaring Japan apparently is using this as a bargaining point in the present discussions the paper adds: Tokyo's suggestion that she would not interfere with

CHINA.

He is likely to pay most attention to economic relations which Japan, at present, is stressing strongly.—Reuter.

oil shipments via Vladivostok if the United States would resume oil shipments to Japan proves she is insincere towards the Axis and the United States alike.

"She is now trying to break the Anglo-American economic pressure."

"If Japan is allowed another breathing space the Democracies will miss a great opportunity to check Japanese aggression." — Reuter.

Chungking Talk

A lengthy conversation took place yesterday between Mr. Clarence Gauss, the American Ambassador in Chungking, and the Chinese Foreign Minister, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, at the latter's official residence.

The topics discussed are not revealed but it is generally presumed that they touched on the present American-Japanese talks in Washington.—Central News.

H.K.V.D.C. PRESS CHARGE

Mr. M. B. J. Bainbridge, of the Dairy Farm, Kowloon branch, was fined \$250 or three weeks' imprisonment, by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when he pleaded guilty to disobeying an order of the Commandment, H.K.V.D.C.

Mr. J. D. Murphy, who prosecuted, said that defendant who had been given punishment drills for failure to attend parade, wrote a letter stating that he could not do extra drills as he was sick and could not afford a doctor. He was instructed to attend before a Medical Board on August 22 at Volunteer Headquarters. At 5:27 p.m. that day, said Mr. Murphy, Bainbridge telephoned the Adjutant saying he had only just finished work and had no money to pay his fare to Volunteer Headquarters. The Adjutant informed him that he must attend, but he failed to turn up.

Imposing the maximum fine, Mr. Macnamara said that defendant had apparently wilfully and completely disregarded orders.

Defendant said he could not pay the fine, which was more than his monthly salary.

In reply to questions, he said he was still paying the fine previously imposed at the rate of \$20 a month.

Mr. Macnamara: In that case I have no choice but to give you the alternative of serving three weeks' imprisonment.

TOKYO NATIONAL SERVICE DECREE

The Draft of an Imperial Ordinance was approved in Tokyo yesterday by the National Mobilisation Committee making Japanese males from 14 to 40 years, and females from 14 to 25 liable for national service.

Another Ordinance is for the mobilisation of doctors, dentists and nurses.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

President Roosevelt last night bluntly warned Germany and Italy that their warships will henceforth enter American defensive waters "at their own peril."

He added: "Orders which I have given, as Commander-in-Chief, to the United States army and navy, are to carry out that policy at once."

Sole responsibility rests on Germany. There will be no shooting unless Germany continues to seek it." — Reuter.

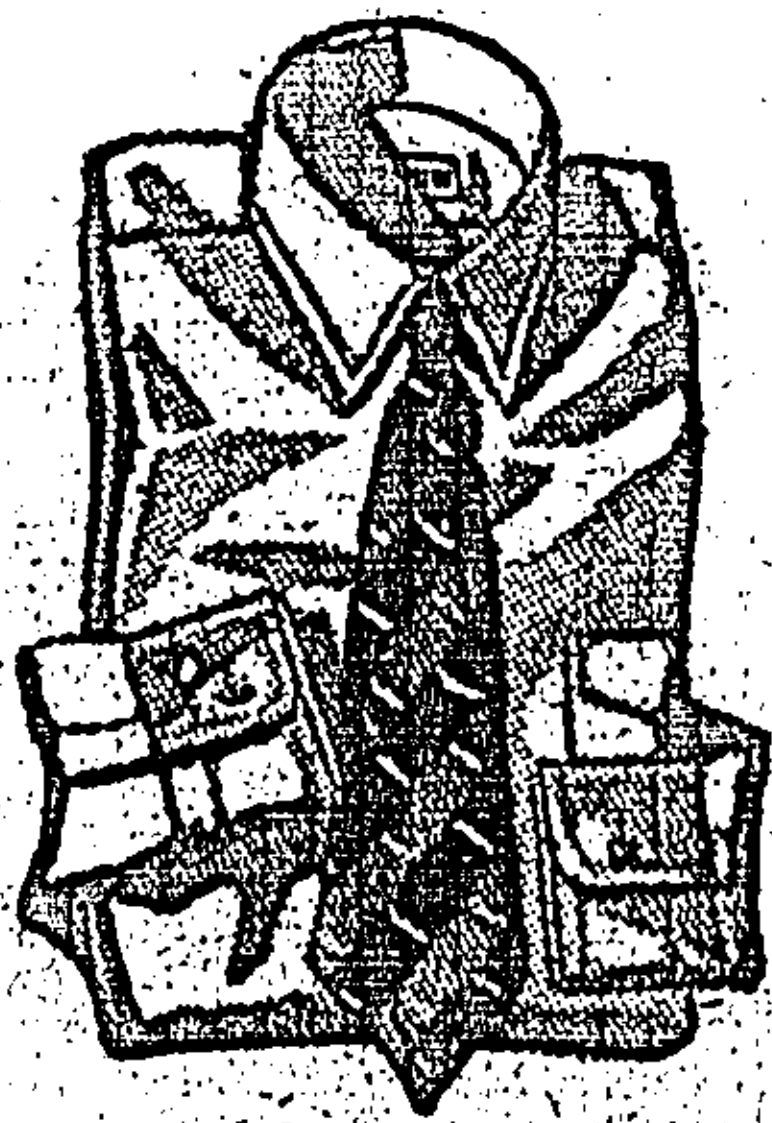
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Mr. Fadden

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Mr. A. W. Fadden, Australian Premier, said in Sydney that the Government had received official information indicating an improved outlook in the Pacific.

Mr. Fadden added he was keeping in closest touch with London and Washington.

The remarks were made shortly after the Army Minister, Mr. Spender, announced the arrival of the first consignment of American tanks in Australia. Mr. Spender said deliveries henceforth would be continuous. — International News Service.

U.S. Defensive Waters
NO FIGHT--UNLESS
NAZIS SEEK IT

IN HIS EAGERLY-AWAITED BROADCAST PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT BLUNTLY WARNED GERMANY AND ITALY THAT THEIR WARSHIPS WILL HENCEFORTH ENTER AMERICAN DEFENSIVE WATERS "AT THEIR OWN PERIL."

The President continued: "Orders which I have given, as Commander-in-Chief, to the United States Army and Navy are to carry out that policy — at once."

BOMBER LOSSES

An analysis of British official communiques shows that between April 1 and September 8, 1941, 558 aircraft of the Bomber Command have been lost in operations in Western Europe, said the Under-Secretary for Air in the Commons reply yesterday. — British Wireless.

ATTACKS
ON FILM
INDUSTRY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Charging that Hollywood is seeking to plunge the United States into war, Mr. Flynn, New York writer and member of the America First Committee, told the Senate hearing yesterday the Government should seize or police the industry after the war.

Counsel for the movie industry declared the sub-committee was preventing him from expressing Hollywood's side of the controversy.

Mr. Flynn said the movie chiefs were themselves censors, giving full show to the war argument, and he denied that Senator Nye and other Committeemen were "defending Hitler."

Counsel for the industry said Senators Nye and Clark were arguing for an investigation but "have not presented an iota of evidence." He urged an end to "these mock proceedings." — International News Service.

In Chile.

The detentions followed a series of investigations by the Chilean Supreme Court. — International News Service.

LARGE-SCALE
GERMAN RETREAT
CONTINUING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

THE LARGE-SCALE GERMAN RETREAT, FIRST OF ITS KIND SINCE THE KAISER'S ARMIES COLLAPSED IN 1918, WAS REPORTED IN MOSCOW YESTERDAY TO BE CONTINUING ALONG THE 200-MILE CENTRAL FRONT SECTOR WHERE THE THREE-PRONGED SOVIET OFFENSIVE HAS HURLED THE NAZIS ACROSS THE UPPER DNIEPER AND HAS NEARED SMOLENSK AND GOMEL.

Personally commanded by Marshal Timoshenko, the drive is already credited with eliminating at least 80,000 Nazi troops and hundreds of tanks and other weapons, and has aroused hopes of a possible breakthrough which might relieve the pressure on Leningrad and Odessa.

Luftwaffe efforts to humble Leningrad were said in Moscow to be a complete failure, but some raiders got through and started several fires.

The Russian counter-drive has recaptured the town of Volkovo, Luki, on the railway leading to Latvia, with the Germans still in retreat. In London, British quarters declared that the two new German attacks on the Russian front may decide the fate of Leningrad as far north as Archangel. Against these attacks heavy

Russian forces have been mobilized backed by hundreds of British and American fighter planes.

Radio Claim

The German radio claim to the capture of Vyazma, important junction 90 miles east of Smolensk and only 140 miles west of Moscow, after a week of very heavy fighting, is not supported by any other Nazi source.

D.N.B., the official German news agency, has been issuing a steady stream of despatches

He said the incident was "not isolated but part of a general plan" and revealed that a submarine followed a battleship in North American waters last July and the submarine "sought to manoeuvre itself into a position of attack."

THE SUBMARINE'S PERISCOPE WAS "CLEARLY SEEN" AND NO BRITISH OR AMERICAN WARSHIP WAS WITHIN 100 MILES OF THE SPOT AT THE TIME SO THE NATIONALITY OF THE SUBMARINE WAS CLEAR.

"Nazi submarines are the rattlesnakes of the Atlantic. The time for active defence is now."

The President continued: "We have sought no shooting war with Hitler and we do not seek it now but neither do we want peace so much that we are willing to pay for it by permitting him to attack our naval and merchant ships while they are on legitimate business."

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GERMAN
RAIDER IN
PACIFIC

A GERMAN RAIDER OPERATING IN THE PACIFIC ABOUT 1,000 MILES WEST OF PANAMA HAS SUNK THE DUTCH MOTORSHIP "KOTANOPAN" AND THREATENED OTHER VESSELS, ACCORDING TO NEW YORK SHIPPING SOURCES YESTERDAY.

The "Kotanopan" was reported to be carrying rubber, tin and palm oil for the United States. Fate of the crew and passengers, if any, is unknown. — Reuter.

describing Nazi "successes" on land and in the air, including "especially heavy" Stuka attacks on Leningrad. D.N.B., however, admits heavy Soviet counter-attacks and also admits that Leningrad is not completely encircled. — International News Service.

ARRESTS IN
CHILE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

SEVEN OF CHILE'S LEADING BUSINESSMEN WERE ARRESTED YESTERDAY IN A SUDDEN ROUND-UP OF NAZI SYMPATHISERS.

They include the president of Bayer Chemicals, who is accused of being the chief of the Gestapo

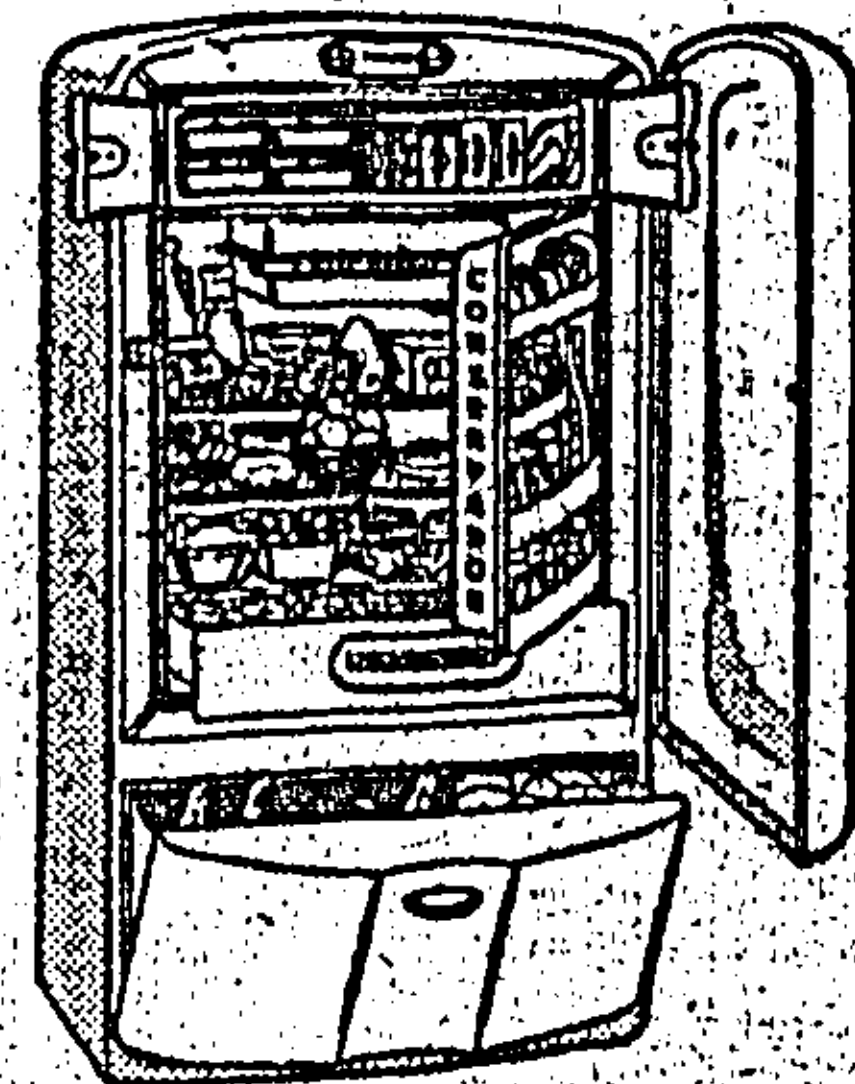
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NEW MURMANSK OFFENSIVE

Little Change On Main Fronts

Timoshenko Attack Continues

(Military Commentary by "Annalist")

A NEW DEVELOPMENT IN THE FIGHTING IN RUSSIA WAS REPORTED IN LONDON YESTERDAY WHEN IT WAS STATED IN AUTHORITATIVE CIRCLES THAT THERE WERE INDICATIONS THE GERMANS HAVE STARTED AN ATTACK IN THE MURMANSK DISTRICT, ON THE ARCTIC SEA, 600 MILES NORTH OF LENINGRAD.

How this attack is progressing, or whether it is on a very big scale, is not yet known. It is stated it seems to be coming from the direction due west of Murmansk and Finnish troops are believed to be taking part.

There is a railway line running down to Leningrad from Murmansk which at one point skirts the western border of Lake Ladoga, on the eastern side of which the Finns recently claimed to have advanced.

Pending further information this development does not seem to affect the fighting in the main Russian centres.

Detailed information on the latest developments were not provided by yesterday's midday Soviet communiqué.

In the Leningrad sector there is no news of any important change.

The situation between Smolensk and Gomel, where the Russians are counter-attacking on a 200-mile front, has become somewhat confused.

REPORTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED OF A GERMAN COUNTER-ATTACK SOUTH-EAST OF GOMEL BUT THESE LACK CONFIRMATION FROM SOVIET SOURCES.

Germans Pushed Back

If they are true, important developments one way or the other may be expected in the next two or three days.

At various points in the large central sector the Russians report further advances and successes. At one point General Yeremenko on Wednesday pushed the Germans back 12 miles and recaptured 10 villages.

The Tass agency reports that during the last 24 hours, 12,000 Germans were killed at Villike Luki, which is 125 miles north-west of Smolensk.

These terrific losses on the part of the Germans show the violence of the actions undertaken by Marshal Timoshenko's armies.

Kiev Clash

The Germans claim violent fighting north of Kiev on Wednesday.

Wednesday where, however, Moscow reports say the Nazi drive was checked and severe defeats inflicted on two German infantry divisions.

No further reliable news has been received in London about the situation in the Ukraine, where the Germans still appear to be trying to cross the Dnieper.

A supplement to yesterday's midday Soviet communiqué says successful resistance is being made to the Rumanian troops on the approaches to Odessa.

On the whole, therefore, there has been, apart from Murmansk, no significant change as yet on the Russian front in the last 24 hours.

"Sooner Or Later"

Leningrad holds out, as determined as ever, and it is perhaps significant that German propaganda is now preparing the German people not to expect its rapid fall.

The German radio in its latest talk said: "It makes no difference whatever to the strategic situation in general whether Leningrad falls sooner or later." — Reuter.

AMERICANS SAIL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Approximately 115 Shanghai Americans and a few who arrived recently from Japan left last evening for the United States. — International News Service.

DEATH OF DEATH-RAY MATTHEWS

The death was announced from Swansea Valley yesterday of M. H. Grindell-Matthews, known as "Death Ray Matthews."

Among his researches, it was reported, was the discovery of a ray to kill disease germs, the design of a new method of aerial defence and the design of a rocket aeroplane that would travel at six miles a second and might make a visit to the moon possible.

To carry out his electrical research work Matthews lived in a closely guarded bungalow on the top of a Welsh mountain 700 feet above sea level.

He had permission to tap the electric grid system for power.

An engineer by profession, Matthews was best known as a pioneer in radio and sound film production and as an inventor.

Radio Pioneer

The possibilities of wireless telephony early attracted him and in 1911, at Cardiff, he succeeded in establishing wireless telephonic communication with an aeroplane one and a half miles away and travelling at what then was considered the remarkable speed of 60 miles an hour.

He also sent the first press message by radio telephone from Newport to the newspaper "Western Mail" at Cardiff.

His researches, it was reported, included means to detect submarines 30 miles away.

He got his nickname of "death ray" from an experiment with a ray that would stop aeroplane and motorcar engines.

Winning The Air

His aerial defence scheme was to "mine" the air. Rockets that could reach a height of 30,000 feet in four and a half seconds would contain a number of parachutes to which, by means of thin steel wires, bombs would be attached.

He served throughout the South African War and was wounded twice. — Reuter.

JAPANESE LEAVING D.E.I.

SOME 500 JAPANESE WOMEN AND CHILDREN EMBARKED ON THE "KITANO MARU" AT BATAVIA YESTERDAY FOR EVACUATION FROM THE N.E.I.

The vessel will leave as soon as formalities regarding passport and foreign exchange regulations are completed.

Earlier this week about the same number of Japanese embarked on the ship at Sourabaya, so after her departure more than 1,000 Japanese will have been evacuated from the N.E.I. — Reuter.

BACKWARD IN COMING FORWARD

Of the 10 Italian divisions which the Germans required on the Eastern Front, it is understood only three have been despatched and only one is in the fighting line operating behind German shock troops.

The remaining divisions are expected to be despatched shortly at the urgent request of the Germans. — Reuter.

PRINCE CHICHIBU IN SAIGON

PRINCE CHICHIBU ARRIVED IN SAIGON AT MIDDAY YESTERDAY IN A SPECIAL MILITARY PLANE FROM TOKYO AS THE PERSONAL EMISSARY OF THE EMPEROR TO "KEEP UP THE SPIRITS OF JAPANESE SOLDIERS IN EXILE."

Prince Chichibu formally visited the Governor-General in the afternoon, while presumably he will start keeping up the soldiers' spirits to-day. — Reuter.

OXFORD GROUP STATUS

Within the meaning of the British National Service Act, the Oxford Group is not accepted by Government as a religious organisation.

This was stated at question time in the Commons yesterday by the Labour Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, when answering a question about the number of lay preachers of military age who were exempted from military service.

Mr. Bevin said over 500 lay preachers were exempted or reserved.

When asked whether he regarded the Oxford Group as coming within the category of lay preachers, Mr. Bevin replied: "No. Within the meaning of the National Service Act and from the viewpoint of their liability to serve their country I am not prepared to accept the Oxford Group as a religious organisation."

Two members raised protests. Sir William Allen (Cons.) spoke of the "persecution of the Oxford Group" and another member gave notice that he will raise the matter again. — Reuter.

CONVERSATIONS AT THE VATICAN

Mr. Myron Taylor, United States Special Envoy, had another conversation yesterday with the Papal Secretary of State, Cardinal Maglione, in Vatican City following his talk with the Pope.

Next week Mr. Taylor will take up his usual residence at Florence. — Reuter.

30,000 GERMANS LOST IN GREAT BATTLE AT KIEV

THIRTY THOUSAND Germans were lost before Kiev, according to the secretary of the Central Ukrainian Communist Party, writing in the Moscow newspaper "Pravda" yesterday.

The 44th, 95th and 299th Infantry Divisions and other big units were completely routed, he added.

German losses in armoured equipment were not large. Soviet artillery destroyed some 23 German tanks, 72 lorries and 11 A.A. guns.

Violent fighting is reported by the German news agency to have developed on Wednesday in the area north of Kiev, in which two German divisions are said to be involved.

One division is claimed by the Germans to have broken up Soviet units in this battle into isolated groups and captured a large-sized town, making 1,200 prisoners, similar measures of success being attributed to the second German division.

Odessa Carnage

Meanwhile the Italian newspaper "Amrosiano" writes: "Odessa is one of the most terrible battlefields in history."

"The ground is covered with the bodies of horses and other animals, overturned lorries, abandoned guns and motionless tanks. The cries of the wounded are louder than machine-guns and bomb explosions." — Reuter.

Midnight Communiqué

The following is the text of the Soviet midnight communiqué issued by the Soviet Information Bureau.

"On Sept. 11 our troops stubbornly fought the enemy along the entire front."

"Our air force, in cooperation with land troops, dealt blows to enemy panzer troops, infantry and artillery and destroyed aircraft on his aerodromes."

"On Sept. 9, 81 German planes were destroyed in air combats, by A.A. fire and on aerodromes. We lost 41 planes." — Reuter.

TOKYO NATIONAL SERVICE DECREE

The Draft of an Imperial Ordinance was approved in Tokyo yesterday by the National Mobilisation Committee making Japanese males from 14 to 40 years, and females from 14 to 25 liable to national service.

Another Ordinance is for the mobilisation of doctors, dentists and nurses. — Reuter.

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Dinner-Parties And Kin Lee Sub-Contracts To A Wife

A.R.P. INQUIRY PROCEEDINGS

DINNER PARTIES GIVEN BY THE KIN LEE FIRM TO EUROPEAN MEMBERS OF THE WATERWORKS OFFICE AND OF THE PORT DEVELOPMENT OFFICE WERE THE SUBJECT OF QUESTIONS AT THE RESUMED HEARING OF THE A.R.P. INQUIRY THIS MORNING.

Evidence was also given by the wife of Kwong Wing regarding sub-contracts given to her by Kin Lee in connection with the tunnel contract for Kowloon.

When the inquiry was resumed this morning, the chairman, Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall, asked Kwong Wing whether he had brought the statements requested on the previous day.

Witness said that he had done so, producing the statements at the same time, adding that "as regards the sum here of \$7,763.86, I have the receipt for it."

Chairman: What was that connected with?—This is a receipt from Marsman's for fuse coils.

Where is the next one?—As regards the second amount, \$10,400, this sum is in respect of the sale of sleepers to Marsman's at \$5.20 each. We sold these to Marsman's.

They paid you for them?—Yes.

Where is the receipt?—I gave the receipt on the bill.

Where is the book?—I gave a receipt on the bill produced by Marsman's.

You did not keep a duplicate?—No.

Red Entry

Is that account entered in your books?—Yes.

Will you refer us to that entry?—Yes.

Witness then produced a statement and after examining same the chairman asked witness why this particular entry was made in red.

Witness replied that he did not know, as the clerk in his office had done it.

The transaction took place in May?—Yes.

They why has Marsman's put it down as having taken place in March?—How do I know, sir?

That refers to 2,000 sleepers, doesn't it?—The first lot was for 5,000 and the second lot for 2,000.

Chairman: I want to make a correction about the statement that Marsman's had got it down that the transaction took place in March. It says that it took place in May so it agrees with your statement. Now, where is a similar statement regarding the 5,000 sleepers?—We do not have this. We purchased 10,000 pieces and 5,000 went to Marsman's, so that we have no deduction.

"Ten Per Cent.?"

You have a summary for the 2,000. Why didn't you do the same with the 5,000?—Of this lot of 10,000 pieces, 5,000 had been removed to Kowloon for which Government had paid and 5,000 were sold to Marsman's.

I know that, but why isn't it down as having been sold to Marsman's?—I don't know. As a matter of fact the way these 5,000 was entered up was under the instructions of Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Chang.

All right. Did you charge 10 per cent. for the 2,000 you sold to Government?—No.

You are quite sure, now?—May I have a look at the accounts again, before I answer that question. I don't remember.

Well, now, there's another item here \$27,000. What about that?—I was not asked to produce that.

No Charge

Chairman (to Mr. Blake): Will you make a note of that now, please.

Chairman (to witness): Marsman's show in their disbursements, "less payment by Kin Lee, \$23,978.05."—I have the receipt for that.

What was that for?—I cannot tell off hand, but if I may be

allowed to refer to my books I will be able to tell.

There is an item for \$10,400 Marsman's paid you between June 1 and 15, what was that for?—That was for the 2,000 sleepers I referred to.

Then there's an item for \$1,650. What was that for?—It is for an air tank receiver.

And you did not charge Government for that?—No.

Why not?—Because that was included in the plant hired by Government.

And does Government pay you hire for that?—Yes.

How much?—\$500.

And you paid how much for the plant?—About \$20,000.

For Rent

Questioned on another item, \$3,882.37 for jack-hammers, witness replied that he was not able to find that item in his books. His books showed the item for jack-hammers as being \$3,942.37.

The Chairman: Take note, I want details of the payment by Marsman's of \$1,000 between March 16 and March 31, 1941.

Witness: I can tell that now. It was for rent for an air compressor for four months.

The Chairman: Did Marsman's ever buy anything from you personally?—No.

What is your name?—Kwong Wing.

Are you known by any other name?—No.

Referring to another disbursement summary, the Chairman referred to an item of \$1,385.70 which witness explained was \$1,435.70, the \$50 extra being for sharpening steel and the remainder for the supply of steel from Marsman's.

The Chairman: It is o.k'd by F. T. Cheng?—Yes.

Who initialled it?—Mr. Campbell.

I note that all were not signed but initialled, is that right?—Signatures were put on disbursement sheets.

Only the vouchers were initialled?—Yes.

Sub-Contracting

Why did you sub-contract a great deal of tunnelling to other people?—The sub-contracting was for labour supplied by other firms. We had the machinery or else how could they do the work. Who is the Union Express Construction Company?—A sub-contractor.

In January 1941, you paid them \$4,831 for tunnelling work?—It was for labour.

Why did you not put down labour in the disbursement sheet?

Witness then produced a document showing that the amount was for excavating soft and rock and timber shoring.

The Chairman: What does that mean?—Labour for excavating of rocks, drilling for soft, and timbering.

Whose machinery did they use?—Kin Lee's.

"Did Not Do Job"

Then am I correct in saying that you handed the machinery to three or four sub-contractors to do the tunnelling work which you did not do at all?—Yes, by arrangement with Mr. Campbell we were allowed to sublet to carry out the work in this manner.

Then I am correct in saying that most of the tunnelling work was done by sub-contractors and not

by Kin Lee?—Under our supervision.

And you say Mr. Campbell authorised you to do so. Have you anything in writing?—No.

This plant you gave to the sub-contractors was purchased by Government?—Yes.

And you charged 10%—Yes.

Do you agree with me that if Government gave the machinery to the sub-contractors the work would have been done cheaper?—Where would Government get the machinery from?

By buying it.—It is impossible for Government to buy such machinery.

Requisition Power

They bought it from you?—Government bought certain machinery, but some we refused to sell.

But you would have hired them?—We would not if we did not get the contract.

Do you know that Government have power to requisition them?—Yes.

Do you know the Defence Regulations?—Yes.

Do you know then that Government has complete power to requisition any machinery?—Yes.

My suggestion is that had Government requisitioned the machinery and gave it to the contractors to do the work they would not have to pay the 10%?—Yes.

So here we have the companies doing work for Kin Lee who charges 10% and this is to go on until they finish the job?—Yes.

I can assure you it won't, if the Commission have anything to do with it.

The Chairman then referring to other disbursement sheets pointed out several sub-contractors to whom Kin Lee paid out large sums for work on the tunnels in Kowloon.

The Chairman: Now, does the name of Kin Lee appear anywhere in your books for excavation work?—No, Sir.

Profits

The chairman then referred to the plant and witness said that 10 per cent. was charged to Government.

Chairman:—That plant was used by the sub-contractor?—Yes.

And they made a profit on the job?—Yes.

Any idea of the profit they made?—No.

In addition to that profit, you charged Government 10 per cent?—Yes.

That is your idea of cost plus 10 per cent. contract?—Yes.

All this was done with the approval of Mr. Campbell. He knew that you were charging Government 10 per cent. on the gross amount of the job?—Yes.

Besides tunnelling did your firm undertake the building of shelters?—No.

Do you know who is doing the work?—No.

Did you ever purchase concrete blocks?—No.

Are you not building offices for the Urban Council?—Yes.

Are you using concrete blocks?—Yes.

How do you get them?—We receive them from Government. We remove them and use them.

They cost nothing?—We pay nothing for them.

You do the transportation and do the work?—Yes.

Payments To Wife

Did you find how much the firm paid your wife for transportation?—\$13,000.

Between what months?—From February to sometime in June, 1941.

Four months?—Yes.

Since then how much have you

paid your wife?—I worked till midnight last night; I did not go over June.

Assuming the same rate from June it would be another \$13,000?—If the same amount of work was done.—Yes.

You told me not one of these tunnels is complete?—Yes.

Is any one capable of housing people in case of an air raid?—Every one.

What do you mean when you say they are not finished?—There is no light installed and the walls have not been limewashed.

Are the walls boarded up?—A great part.

With timber or concrete?—Only a small portion is propped with timber; it is mostly with cement concrete.

What became of the large amount of timber?—Some was used for making benches, some for supports and a portion was unused.

What quantity was unused?—I cannot tell off hand.

Roughly about how much?—Unused and in store, over \$10,000.

Where do you store it?—In Hunghom.

In your store?—No; the timber is deposited on a piece of Government land.

Who watches the timber?—Our watchman.

You charge 10 per cent. on that?—Yes.

Ventilation

You said that there was no light in the tunnels?—Yes. There is light for working but not installation.

Any sanitary arrangements for the public?—We have built compartments. Only the pans are required.

Any pans?—No.

Any ventilation system installed?—I don't know.

Are the tunnels ventilated?—I can't say.

How many workmen are in the tunnel at one time?—About 200.

What is the capacity of the tunnel?—Depends on the size.

You know we have not seen the tunnels; we will inspect them later. I want an average?—The tunnels are built to hold 50,000 people.

Chairman:—Then let us take the average; about 10,000 people?—Yes.

Do you agree with me that if 10,000 people were put in the tunnel they would be suffocated in half an hour?—No.

Without any system of ventilation?—I don't think they would be suffocated in half an hour.

If they were there 24 hours would they suffocate?—I cannot

express an opinion.

Do you know up to date the cost to Government of the tunnels?—Up to July, we received from Government \$801,858.

In fact Government have paid you over \$800,000 for tunnels not yet ready?—Strictly speaking they could be used.

Over A Year

Put it this way. Government has paid \$800,000 for tunnels not yet complete?—Yes.

And you have been on the job for over a year?—Yes.

Witness then wanted to explain the system at the beginning but the chairman said the commission knew all about it.

You have been on the job a year and yet it is not complete?—Yes.

Do you know the Hong Kong Engineering Construction Company, a well known firm?—I do not know how well they are known.

Have you ever heard of Mr. Faber?—No.

Do you know that the Construction Company constructed a tunnel on the Braga estate?—No.

Also that that tunnel is complete and in very good order?—No.

Do you know Mr. Faber made a tunnel at request of Government?—No.

You could not tell me why Mr. Faber was not approached by Mr. Bishop as you were?—I don't know.

Visits To Mr. Campbell

You know Mr. Campbell?—Not personally.

Have you ever seen him apart from business?—No.

Quite sure?—I myself, never.

Witness was reminded by the Chairman he was on oath.

Witness:—As far as I can remember, always in connection with business.

Always in his office or on the work?—Sometimes I went to his residence to take him to inspect the work.

You went to his residence?—Every Friday I sent a car to take him to inspect the work.

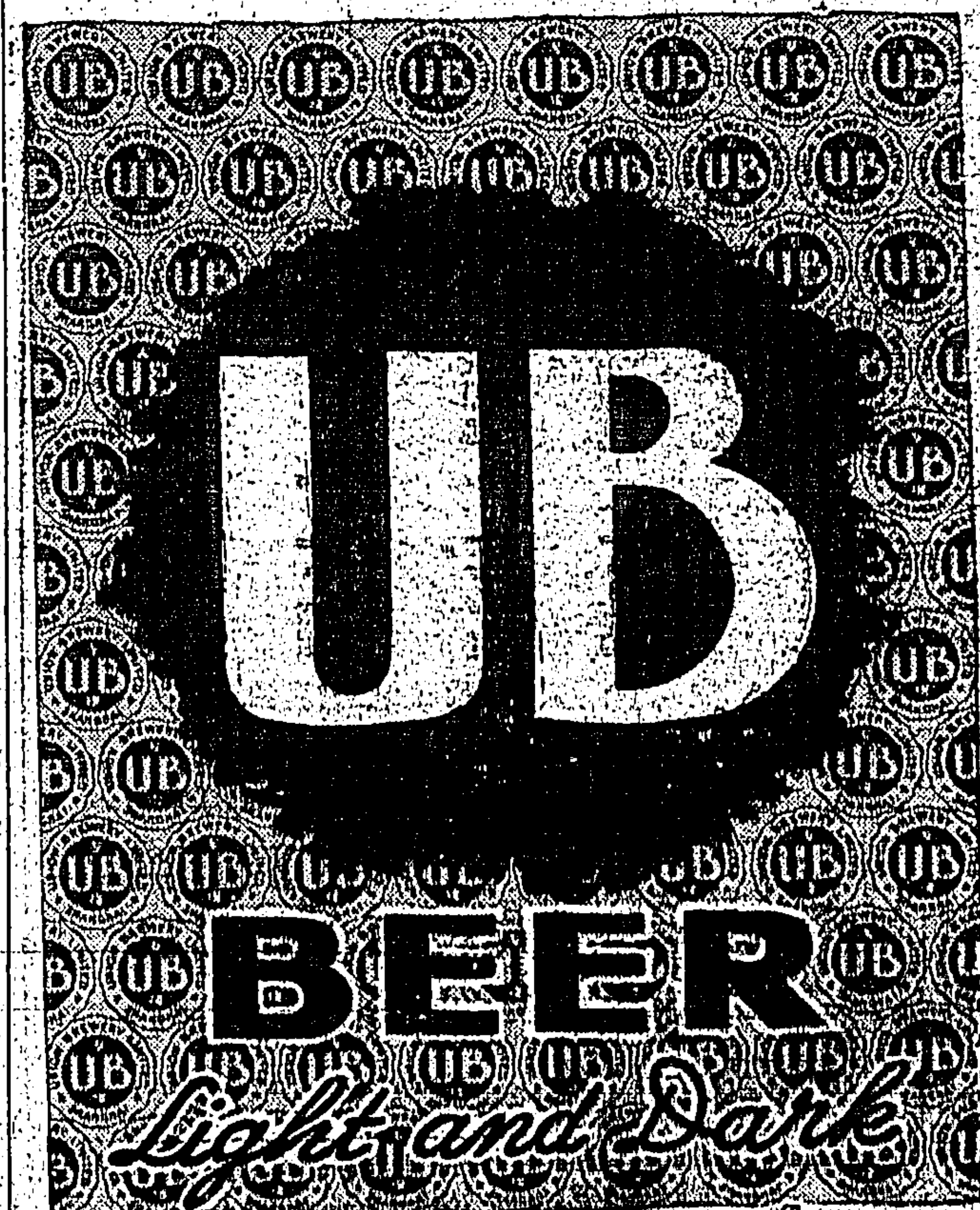
You sometime went too?—Yes.

You went to his residence after work?—No, after work we crossed the harbour. We each went our own way, but sometimes I also crossed the harbour.

Mr. Campbell lives in Kowloon?—Yes.

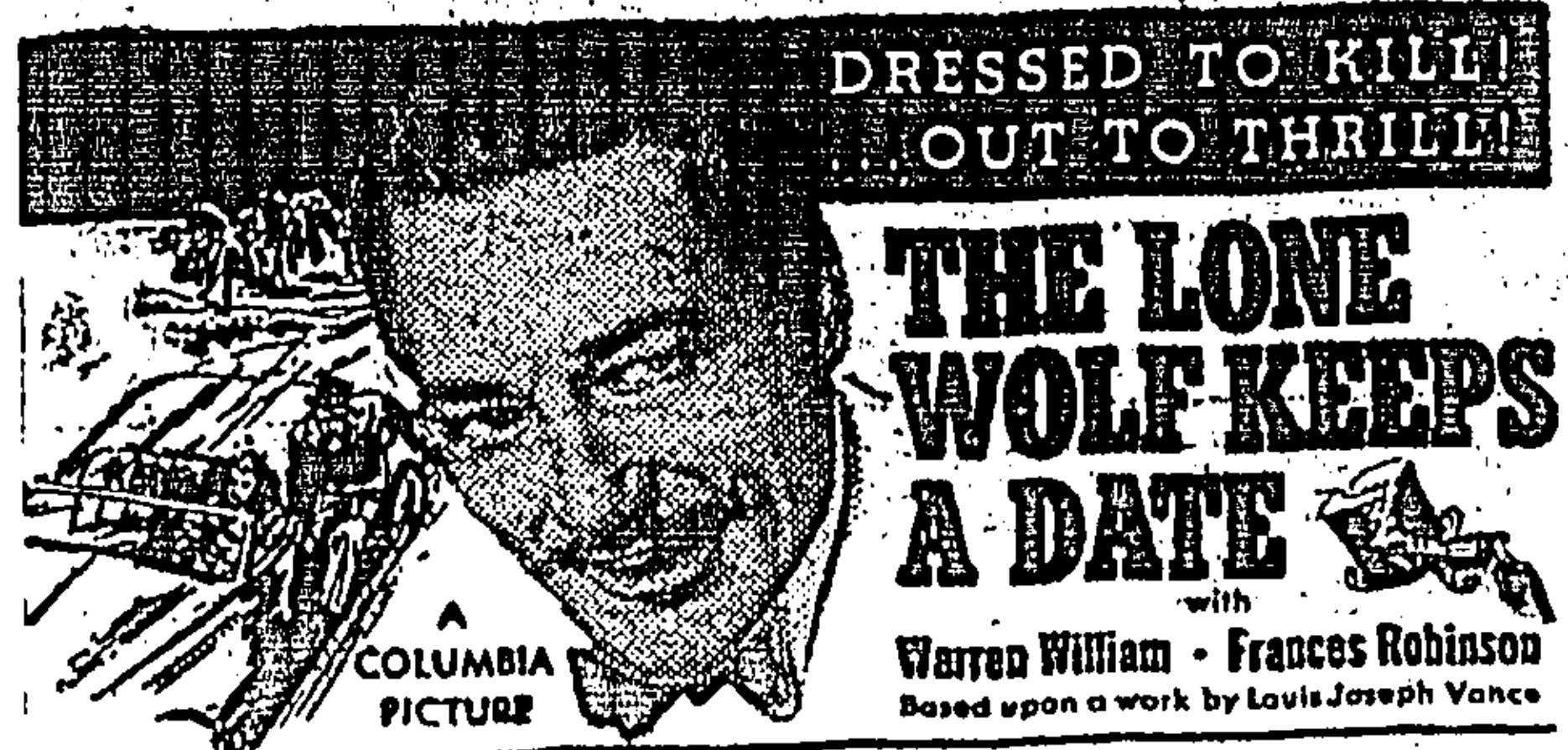
Have you ever seen him after 8 p.m.?—Yes.

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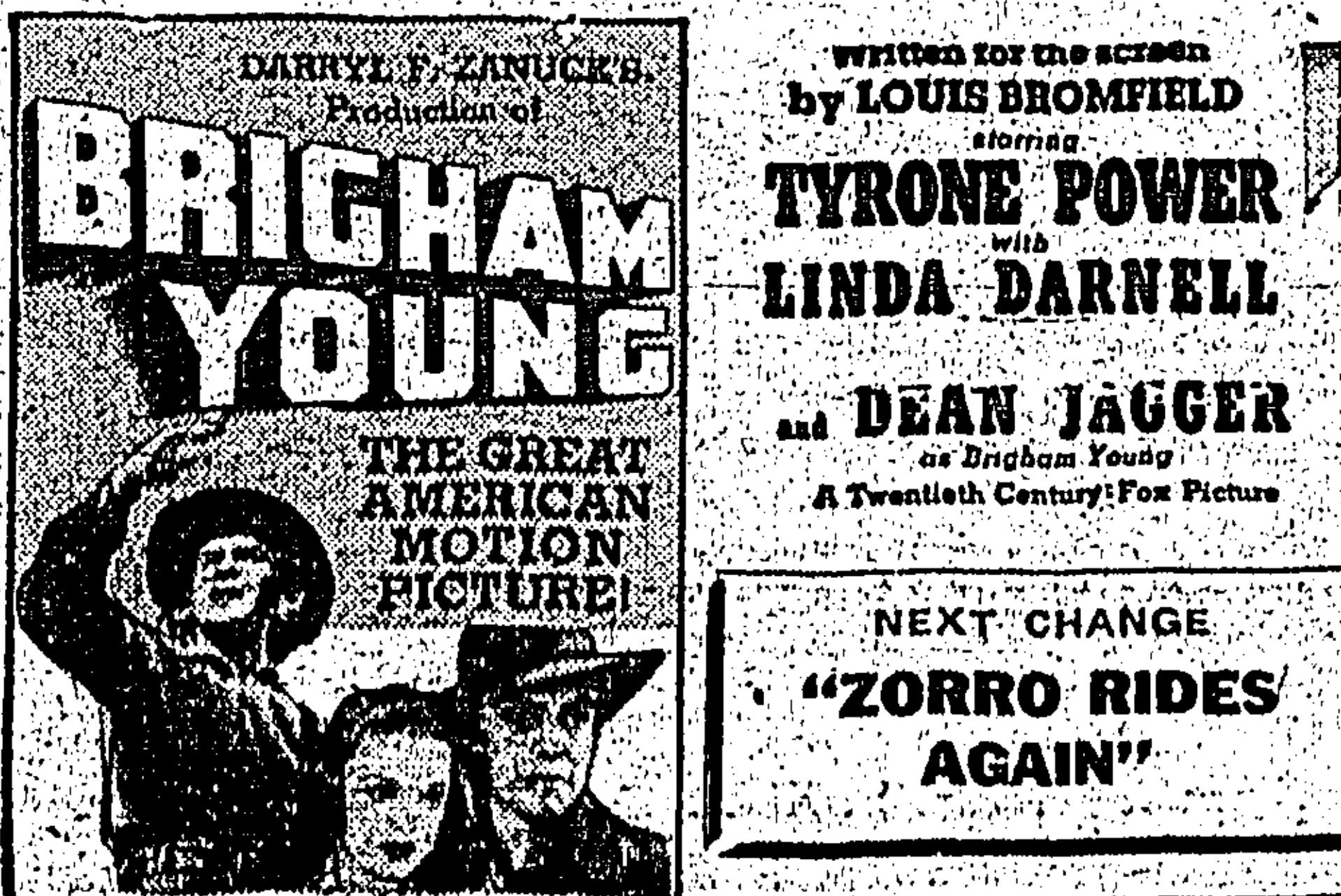
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TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW



ROYAL ARSENAL AT TURIN GETS HEAVIEST BATTERING OF WAR

THE R.A.F. RAID ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT ON NORTHERN ITALY, WHICH WAS BY FAR THE MOST POWERFUL YET MADE IN THAT REGION, WAS LED BY BRITAIN'S BIGGEST BOMBERS, FOUR-ENGINE STIRLINGS. FOUR-ENGINE HALIFAXES FOLLOWED LATER, AS WELL AS TWIN-ENGINE BOMBERS.

It was also the first time that Britain's heaviest bombers had made the journey of 1,200 miles there and back with a double crossing of the Alps, which they took in their stride.

Describing the attack, one Stirling pilot said: "As we went down through France it was as quiet as the grave. One or two searchlights poked into the clouds but soon gave up.

"Most of the time during the crossing of the Alps we flew at over 20,000 feet. We were about the third bomber to come down to Turin and already there were three large blocks of fire in a row. "We dropped a stick of bombs. After we had bombed we started climbing again and as we turned towards the Alps we saw the attack getting under way. There were lots of bombs being dropped.

Not Much Room

"A few minutes after we left Turin my rear gunner reported three fighters coming up very fast astern. I told him to get them because there was not much room for evasive action over the Alps. "HE OPENED UP ON THEM AT ONCE AND THEY SPLIT FORMATION. ONE DISAPPEARED INTO THE CLOUDS AND THE OTHERS JOINED FRIENDS WHO HAD COME UP. THEY MADE NO ATTACK AND SOON MADE OFF. "One solitary gun in the foothills on the Italian side of the Alps took a pop at us. It just fired once for luck. "We came home very nicely." A Wellington pilot came down to 2,000 feet to drop his bombs, planting them in five large fires in Turin with other smaller ones around them.

'Bulging And Billowing'

Another crew counted 34 fires and their bombs were seen to burst on a large factory building. Another factory building was outlined in the flames. There were enormous explosions in the heart of the fire and "things seemed to burst out of the fire and explode at a height from 2,000 to 6,000 feet." Other crews described how they saw fires "bulging and billowing" and made out the gaunt framework of gutted buildings.—Reuter.

U.S. EXPERTS IN ENGLAND

Major-General Wessen and Mr. John Biggers, American experts on war and production, arrived in London last evening. Gen. Wessen is Chief of Ordnance of the U.S. War Department and will visit a number of military and production centres during his stay. Mr. Biggers will take the place of Mr. Harriman who is heading the American mission to Moscow. Mr. Biggers has been in charge of the production section of the Office of Production Management which co-ordinates all manufacturing for defence in the U.S.A.—British Wireless.

TOBRUK AIR ATTACK

YESTERDAY'S CAIRO G.H.Q. COMMUNIQUE STATED THAT AT TOBRUK OUR ARTILLERY DISPERSED A SMALL ENEMY TANK PATROL. Enemy air raids were on a heavier scale but no serious damage or loss resulted. In the frontier area there was some exchange of shellfire.—Reuter.

NEW DUTCH DESTROYER

CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS THE NEW DUTCH DESTROYER "VAN GALEN" RECEIVED BY THE N.E.I. AMALGAMATED WAR FUNDS SO FAR TOTAL 1,300,000 GUILDERS.

Many contributions from places outside Batavia have not yet been reported by all the local committees.

As the N.E.I. Government pays 50 per cent of the total contributions, with a maximum of 1,700,000 guilders so far, 20 days after the move started, two of the needed five million guilders are already available for the destroyer.—Rutr.

NAMES ADDED TO BLACK LIST

The Board of Trade has issued a further list of more than 300 names which are added to the Statutory List. Many of these are in Latin-American countries and many of the names are already on the U.S. Proclaimed List.

Further additions to the Statutory List which will appear shortly will contain more of these names and it can be expected that the British and American black-lists will soon be almost identical.—British Wireless.

THREE GRAVELY INJURED

A LORRY DRIVER, NG PING-KWONG, WAS FINED \$150 BY MR. G. T. LOWRY THIS MORNING, FOR DRIVING LORRY NO. 6584, WITH A LOAD OF TIMBER NOT PROPERLY SECURED, IN ISLAND ROAD NEAR BEACH ROAD ON AUGUST 13.

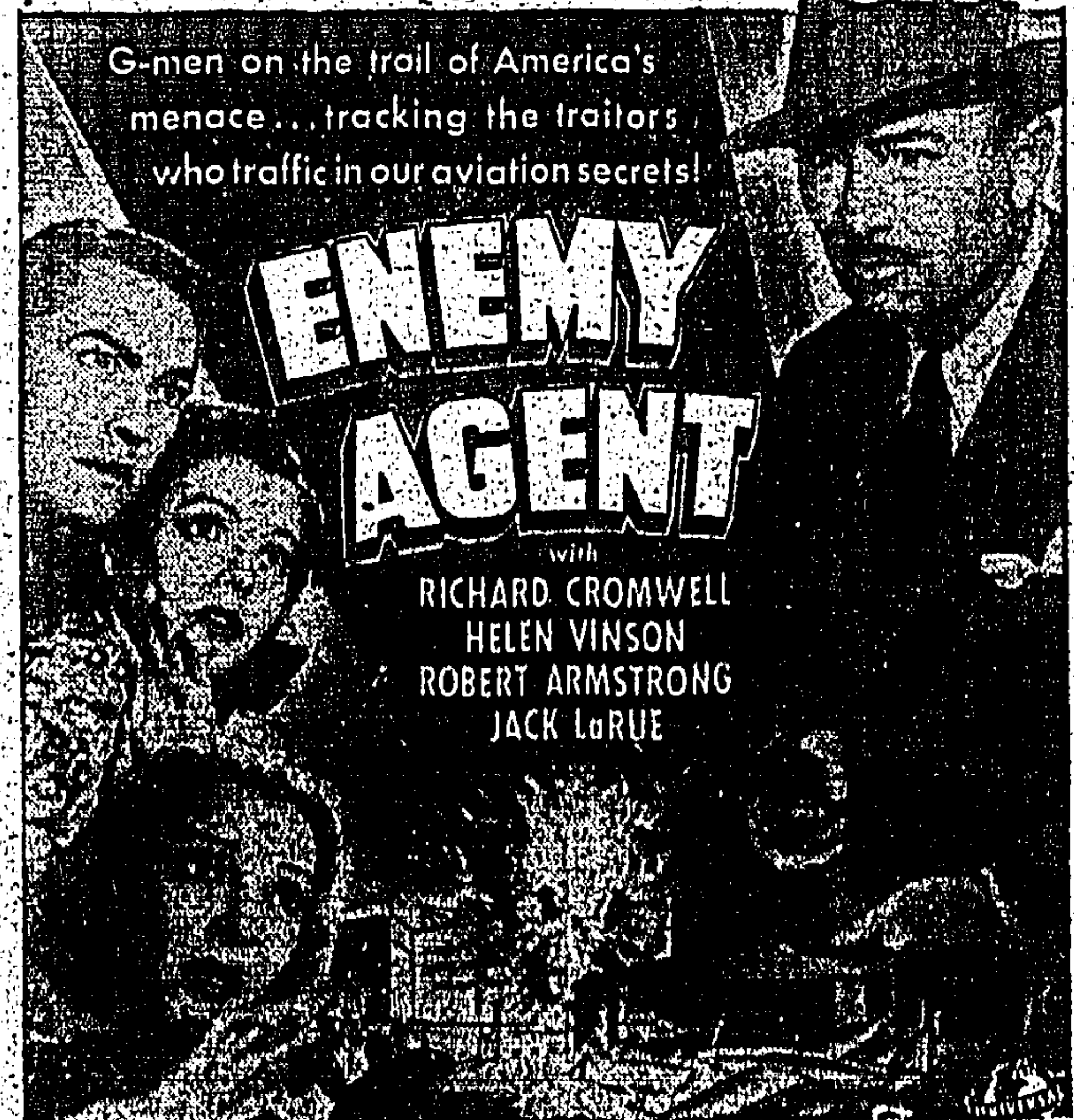
Traffic Sub-Inspector F. J. Clarke said the lorry was loaded with timber two feet higher than the side boards. Coolies were sitting on top.

Rounding a corner near Beach Road, the timber slipped and three coolies fell into a nullah some 25 feet below.

The coolies were seriously injured. One suffered a fractured spine which may result in death in two days or two years. The other two will be in hospital for six months.

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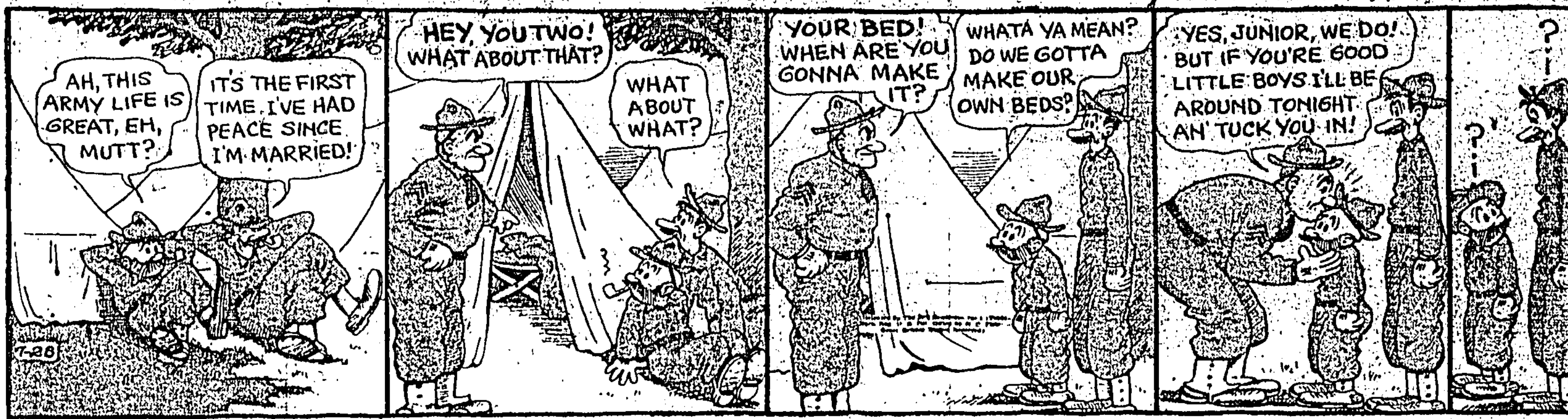
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FRANCO TALKS OF THE ROAD TO EMPIRE

SPEAKING AT SANTANDER during a review of the Army and Falange, General Franco said yesterday he would only speak a few words to express the feelings of his heart towards all gathered there.

He added: "This crowd gathered here represents the united peoples of Spain and faith in our re-aring. Faith and work is the rule of my Government and the spirit that animates us.

"Be sure that if it had not been for the war that faces the world, Spain would already have risen again and there would not be problems for the peoples nor for Spaniards that would not have been resolved with a firm hand and sure step."

General Franco said their feelings and united spirit reflected the feeling of Spain.

Making a tacit allusion to the February fire disaster, General Franco said: "In the same way your cheerfulness has risen above sorrows and past mishaps and you have optimism and confidence."

"So must also all Spain arise because it was for that that we

made war. We have given the blood of our best with history commanding us, with past glories made green through the effort of our youth.

Road Of Empire

"That is the spirit of our movement and our Falange: to raise Spain, to make revolution, giving bread to all homes and bring them joy and justice.

"Our work will to-morrow be our judgment. I therefore charge you with it, which is the service of Spain, the destiny of the Falange and the road of empire. Arriba Espana!"—Reuter.

POLITICAL WARFARE

At question time in the Commons yesterday Mr. Churchill announced measures to co-ordinate various organisations which hitherto were responsible for political warfare.

The Prime Minister said the Foreign Secretary, Minister for Information and Minister of Economic Warfare, had been in consultation on the subject of propaganda to enemy and enemy-occupied territory.

He had approved recommendations that they had made that a small special executive should be established for the conduct of political warfare. This executive had already begun its work. — Reuter.

APPEARS IN NEW GUISE

SUSPENSION OF THE COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER "DAILY WORKER" HAS BEEN CIRCUMVENTED BY PUBLICATION OF A NEW PAPER CALLED "THE WORKERS' GAZETTE," ACCORDING TO A QUESTIONER IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY.

The questioner asked whether any action had been taken against those concerned for contravention of the Defence Regulations under which the "Daily Worker" was suspended.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, replied showing the matter had not escaped his notice and that "any future developments will be watched carefully."—Reuter.

FALANGISTS ARRESTED

THE CLOSING BY THE CUBAN AUTHORITIES OF THE BRANCHES THERE OF THE SPANISH FALANGE "AUXILIO SOCIAL" RELIEF ORGANISATION IS REPORTED IN THE MADRID NEWSPAPER "ARRIBA."

Cuban newspapers allege that money raised for the organisation went to Spain.

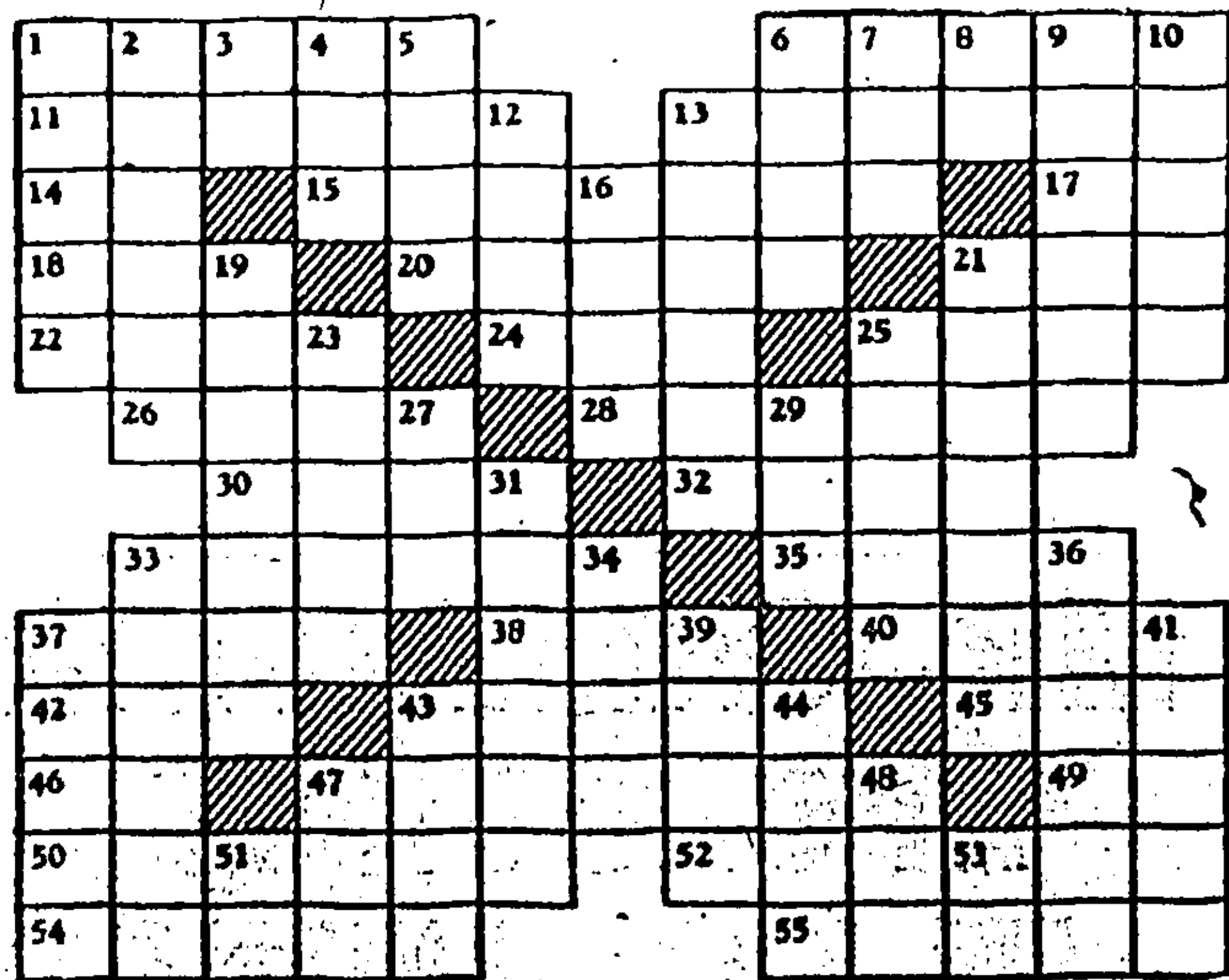
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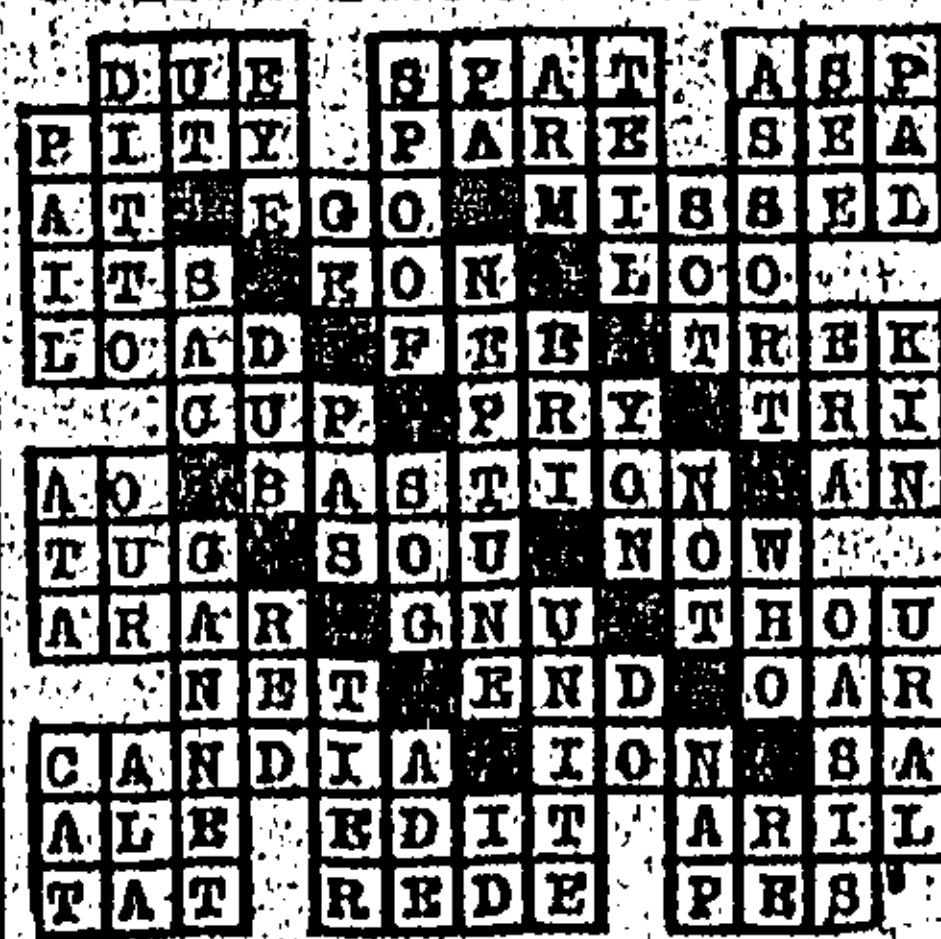


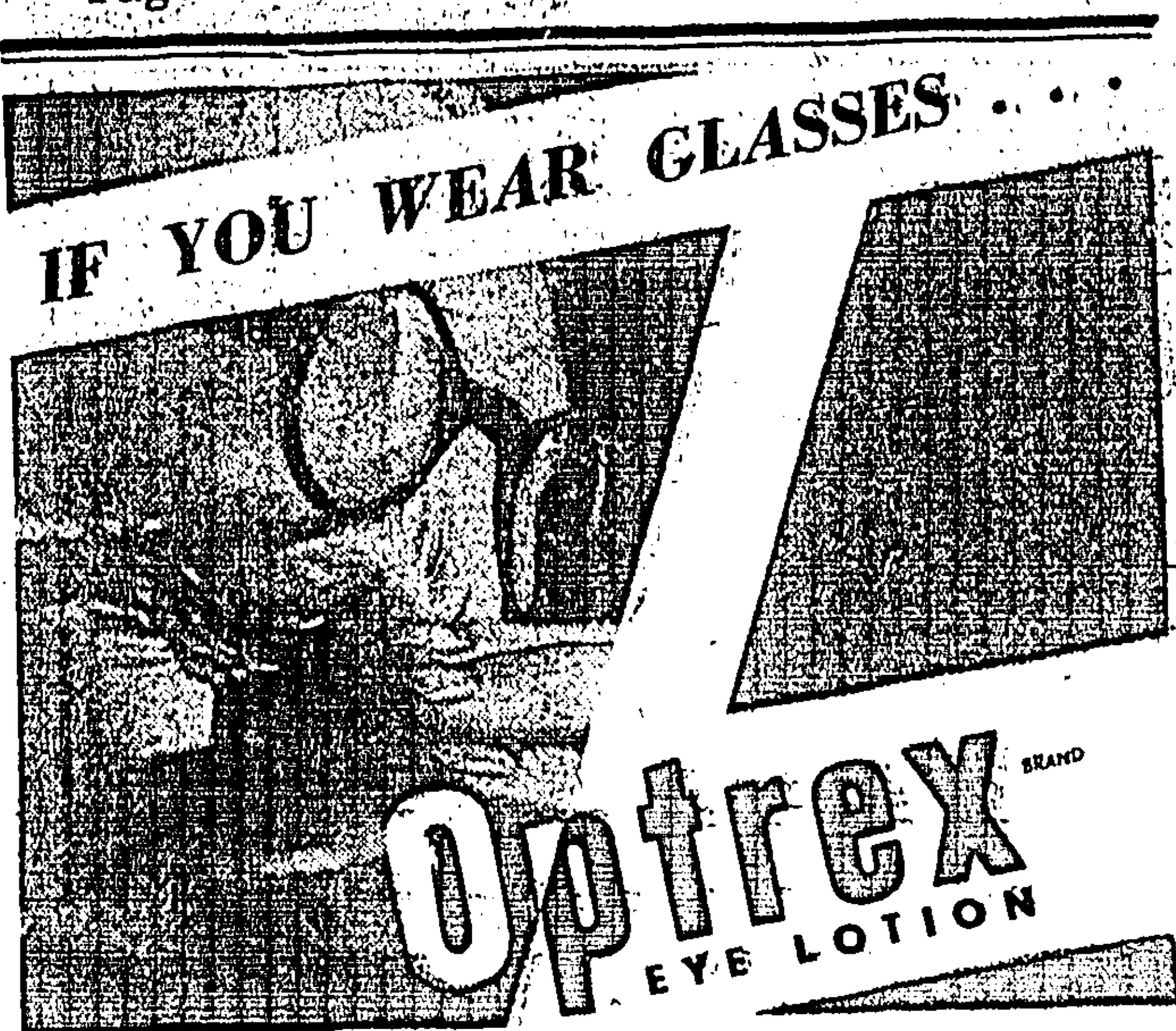
- HORIZONTAL**
- Topics
 - Hirelings
 - To transcend
 - Word of honour
 - Symbol for xenon
 - Tentacle
 - anthozoan
 - Teutonic deity
 - Norse territorial division
 - Figurative use of a word
 - English river
 - To box
 - Entirely
 - The birds
 - To corner
 - Travelled along the ground as an aeroplane
 - Pungent
 - Irish song
 - Circular limit
 - Labour
 - Part of the eye
 - Negative
 - Supercilious individual
 - Paid notices

- To enroll
- Gazelle
- Colloquial mother
- Hallowed
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- Veritable
- Small harpsichord
- Dour
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CRAFT TO RUSSIA WAS GIVEN BY MR.
CHURCHILL IN REPLYING TO A QUESTION
IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY.**

The question related to the remarks recently ascribed to the Minister for Aircraft Production, Colonel J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon, regarding operations between the Russian and German armies.

Mr. Churchill said that the versions which were published of the remarks made at a private gathering in July by Col. Moore-Brabazon bore a construction which represents neither the policy of the Government nor the views of Col. Moore-Brabazon.

"I happen to know his views," proceeded the Prime Minister, "because on the day when Hitler attacked Russia, I told him on the telephone that I was going to talk that night of whole-hearted support for Russia and he expressed enthusiastic assent."

Fighters Sent

"He emphasised those sentiments in a public speech at Chertsey on August 9. Moreover, he has been all the time ardently at work, as I know from personal observation, sending hundreds of fighter aircraft to Russia, many of which have already got there."

"Therefore although phrasing of what he said at a private gathering taken from its context, might well be misconstrued, I am satisfied that he was and is in fullest accord with the policy which His Majesty's Government are earnestly pursuing."

Mr. E. Shinwell (Labour) drew attention to the correspondence which passed between Col. Moore-Brabazon, Sir Ernest Simon and Mr. Blackburn, organiser of the Engineering Union, and suggested that Col. Moore-Brabazon should make a personal statement.

Mischievous Action

Mr. Churchill replied he had read the correspondence and was astonished that anybody should have taken the mischievous action of making all this sensation, which does nothing but harm to Russia as well as Britain, and leads to suspicion between those whose fortunes are linked together.

Col. Moore-Brabazon was, of course, welcome to make a personal statement if he desires, but the Premier had assumed the duty of handling the matter and would prefer to have it left in his hands. (Cheers).

When pressed by the Labourite for a quotation of Col. Moore-Brabazon's actual statement, Mr. Churchill said that although there was much he could say effectively, he forebore from quoting in order not to give disproportionate importance and significance to this matter. — Reuter.

YOSHIZAWA PRESTIGE

The appointment, announced on Wednesday, of Mr. Yoshizawa as special envoy in Indo-China, has aroused considerable interest in Saigon.

It is felt that his setback in the N.E.I. has clearly caused no loss of personal prestige and Japan is using his unrivalled knowledge of southern Pacific conditions to co-ordinate their more obvious gains.

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He is likely to pay most attention to economic relations which Japan, at present, is stressing strongly. — Reuter.

H.K.V.D.C. PRESS CHARGE

Mr. M. B. J. Bainbridge, of the Dairy Farm, Kowloon branch, was fined \$250 or three weeks' imprisonment, by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when he pleaded guilty to disobeying an order of the Commandment, H.K.V.D.C.

Mr. J. D. Murphy, who prosecuted, said that defendant who had been given punishment drills for failure to attend parade, wrote a letter stating that he could not do extra drills as he was sick and could not afford a doctor. He was instructed to attend before a Medical Board on August 22 at Volunteer Headquarters. At 5.27 p.m. that day, said Mr. Murphy, Bainbridge telephoned the Adjutant saying he had only just finished work and had no money to pay his fare to Volunteer Headquarters. The Adjutant informed him that he must attend, but he failed to turn up.

Imposing the maximum fine, Mr. Macnamara said that defendant had apparently wilfully and completely disregarded orders.

Defendant said he could not pay the fine, which was more than his monthly salary.

In reply to questions, he said he was still paying the fine previously imposed at the rate of \$20 a month.

Mr. Macnamara: In that case I have no choice but to give you the alternative of serving three weeks' imprisonment.

MR. GALLACHER APOLOGISES IN COMMONS

THERE WAS A SHARP exchange of words in the House of Commons yesterday between Mr. W. Gallacher (Communist) and the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, when Mr. Gallacher urged that the Government remove anyone who was not one hundred per cent. for cooperation.

Mr. Churchill retorted: "I am not prepared to seek guidance from the honourable gentleman who notoriously had to change his opinions wherever he was ordered by a body outside this country." (Loud cheers).

Mr. Gallacher turned to the Speaker, denying that he had ever taken orders from anyone outside the country, asking for protection, and demanding the withdrawal of the Premier's remark.

When the Speaker intervened to call the next question, Mr. Gallacher shouted angrily: "It was a cowardly rotten action by the Prime Minister."

The Speaker called the next question, and the matter was dropped.

Mr. Gallacher made an amende honorable before Parliament adjourned yesterday.

An Apology

He addressed the Speaker and said: "I want to apologise to you and the House for the offensive words I used after I had put to you my point of order, and to make a complete withdrawal of the offensive remark directed towards the Prime Minister."

The statement was greeted by cheers. — Reuter.

MOSCOW WARNING TO BULGARIA

Moscow radio states that M. Molotov has informed Bulgaria that her conduct regarding the Soviet Union does not conform with normal diplomatic usage.

Moscow radio added M. Molotov declared Bulgaria was letting Germany use her territory and bases in order to forward its attack on Odessa, the Crimea and the Caucasus. — Reuter.

RUSHING AID TO RUSSIA

Reuter's political correspondent learns that all possible aid is being sent to Russia.

The Prime Minister revealed in the Commons yesterday that hundreds of planes had already been sent there but this does not represent by any means the total assistance already sent.

In some directions aid given represents half the available stocks at the time of despatch, and though for obvious military reasons details cannot be given, assistance for Russia covers the widest possible field and the most up-to-date and speedy methods of delivery.

IF THEY ARE NOT ALREADY IN RUSSIA'S FIGHTING LINE, BRITISH MACHINES, FLOWN BY RUSSIAN PILOTS, WILL SOON BE APPEARING THERE.

Lord Beaverbrook and Mr. Hartman, leader of the U.S. delegation, are expected to arrive in Moscow shortly to discuss with the Russian Government the future programme of aid. — Reuter.

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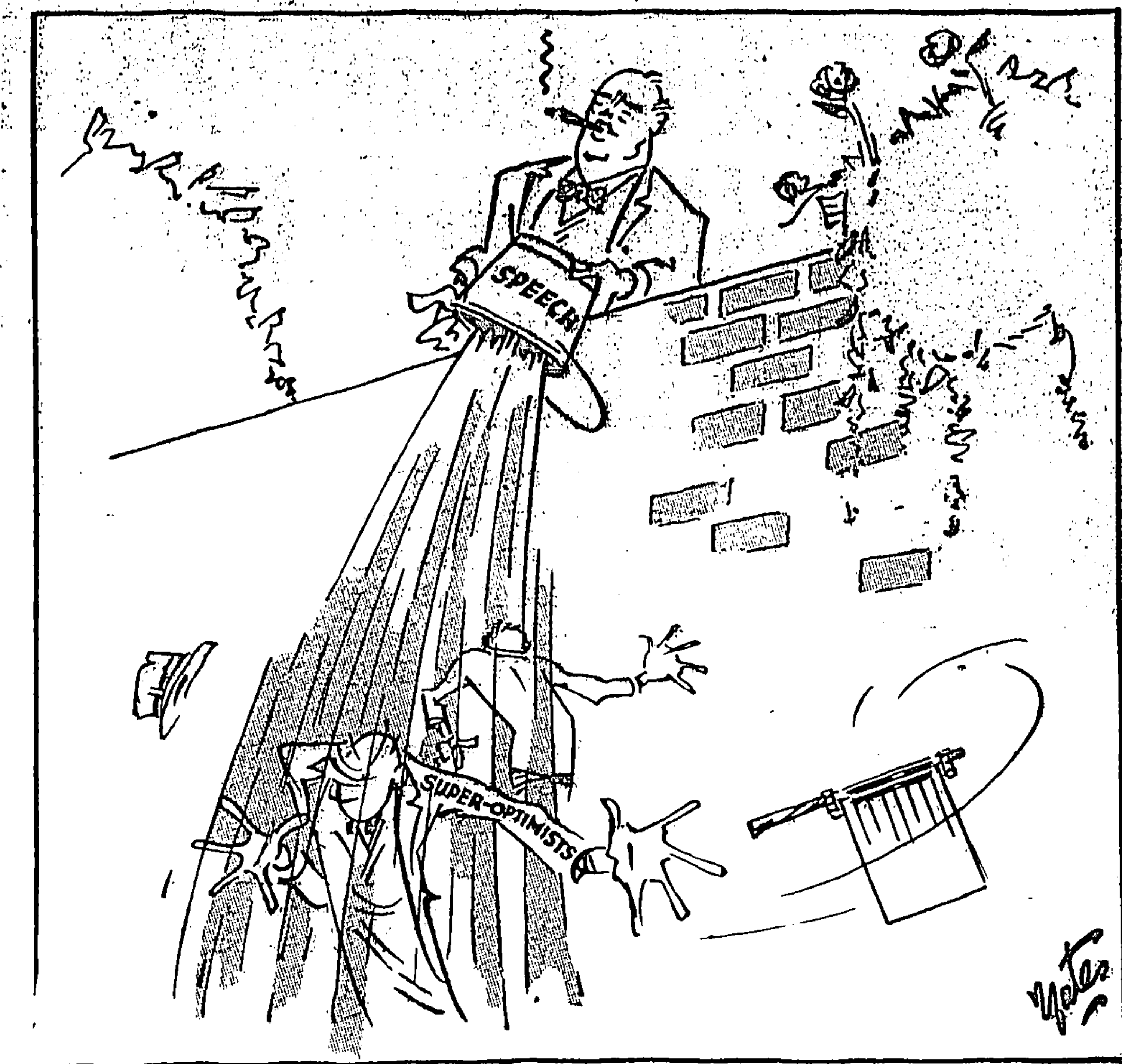
MR. CHURCHILL LEADS

Although Mr. Churchill gave a full recital of the relevant facts to any estimate of the war situation to-day, he maintained the tone of warning against complacency that has marked all recent ministerial speeches. Since this war began, the people of Britain have shown themselves to be a singular people; they are inspired to action by bad news and they seem positively to flourish on reverses. In recent weeks, as the Prime Minister himself was compelled to admit, the news has been consistently good. In the Middle East, which Lord Moyne indicated was officially regarded as Hitler's ulcer, our position has improved beyond all recognition in twelve short months. We can say more confidently to-day than ever before, thanks to Russia's intervention, and to the aid on gigantic scale and growing of the United States, that we are the captain of our soul.

Mr. Churchill, however, insists upon the peril of premature exultation. Never a man to be daunted by gloomy tidings, a mighty whistler in the dark, he bids his countrymen beware of temptations to optimism. The contrast between this attitude and that of the German High Command, covering up its difficulties with promises of "sensational victories" to come, illuminates the gulf between a regime which knows it cannot survive a failure and a Government so sure of its identification with the people and their cause that it can utter warnings against overconfidence in success.

REMORSELESS

Hitler is the prisoner of his conquests. As the gaoler of Europe, he has proved that the Continent is not self-sufficient, and he is therefore driven on and on by the remorseless necessity of acquiring more territory in order to sustain what he has. He is likewise the victim of his own military success. To-day, he is hard pressed to explain the relative slowness of the advance in Russia, because his vic-



NOT YET THE TIME TO CHEER.

Fateful Decision

It is not necessary to explain to any intelligent Frenchman that America has a direct and vital interest in the fate of the French empire. The surrender of Indo-China has brought America to the verge of war in the Pacific. The surrender of the African empire would threaten the security of the Western Hemisphere and enlarge very greatly the scope and the probable duration of the conflict in the Atlantic.

For the surrender of northwest Africa would not only violate the solemn pledges of Marshal Petain, thus proving that the Vichy regime is not to be trusted in any agreement or political relationship, but it would contribute indisputable proof that the Vichy government had been captured by men who have invested their lives and their fortunes in a Nazi victory. Much that Vichy has done has been explained on the ground that Marshal Petain has a noose around his neck. But what was done in Africa can never be explained in that way.

The Netherlands are also occupied territory and Dutch soldiers are also prisoners of war and the Dutch people on the Continent are also at the mercy of the German army and of the Nazi party. Nevertheless the Dutch empire stands firm and nothing Hitler threatens to do to the Dutch in the occu-

pies in other theatres have been so swift. When he cannot move like lightning his pace seems snail-like. His military feats in the past force him to perform ever greater exploits lest the legend of success blow up under the fatal pricks of doubt. For the attacked to stand is a form of victory, but for the attacker to slow down is a form of defeat.

pled territory causes the Dutch in the free world to think of surrendering. Belgium is an occupied country, her King and her army are prisoners of war, her people subject to all the indignities and reprisals of the Nazi conqueror. But the Belgian empire overseas continues to be at war with Hitler.

There is nothing that Hitler can do to Frenchmen which he cannot do also to the Dutch and the Belgians. Therefore, it would never be possible to accept any explanation which said that Mar-

By Walter
Lippmann

shal Petain had to break not only the original alliance with Britain but that he had also to violate his own personal pledges to the world. If Africa is surrendered, it will not be because there is no other choice but because there have prevailed in Vichy the men who wish to help Hitler win the war.

There was never less reason than there is at this moment for the surrender of French Africa. A case can be made out for the surrender of Indo-China on the ground that there are no French forces there capable of resisting Japan and that Britain and America did not deem it expedient to make the occupation of Indo-China a question of war and peace. But no such case can be made out for the surrender of Africa.

For with Germany engaged in the great Russian campaign, Hitler's activity in the whole Mediterranean basin has subsided. He is in no position to send motorised divisions into Africa. He has had to let the Italians languish in Libya, he has had to stand by and see the British reinforced Malta for offensive operations against the communications between Italy and Africa. Against the resistance of the British fleet alone, not to speak of what the French fleet could contribute, it is not at the moment conceivable that Hitler could land any considerable force for the invasion of Africa. Thanks to the Russian

army, and thanks to British sea and air-power in the Mediterranean, and with the help of the very substantial support which America could and would give, the French empire can in fact be defended against Hitler. If it is not defended, though Marshal Petain is pledged to defend it, it will be because the men of Vichy prefer a Hitler victory to the independence and the honour of France.

There are obviously Frenchmen who have staked everything on a Hitler victory. A man like Laval could hardly expect to survive and prosper in a liberated France; as a matter of fact he knows and says that his own life is forfeit if Hitler is defeated. Men in this position have not been in full control in Vichy. The surrender of Africa would place them in full control and all Frenchmen who participated in the surrender—the whole Vichy regime—would thereafter have as much reason to fear a Nazi defeat as Hitler, Goebbels or Himmler themselves. For in the eyes of true Frenchmen and of all the free peoples they would have committed an unpardonable act of treachery.

Thus they would force France first into war against the allies and friends of France, and then, as the Nazi occupation begins to crumble under the impact of the world-wide coalition that has now been formed their treachery would inexorably provoke a civil war within France. For the liberation of France would then require not merely the expulsion of the Germans but also the total destruction of the Vichy regime.

Marshal Petain made one tragic miscalculation a year ago when, believing that the war was over, he refused to fight on from Africa. The war was not over, and the forces aligned against Germany to-day are immensely greater than when he made his erroneous decision.

That error could be retrieved to-day by adhering loyally to his own pledges. If the pledges are broken, when the situation is so favourable to honouring them, Marshal Petain will not only lose the French empire to Hitler for the duration of the war but he will prolong the war—perhaps for years—inflicting infinite suffering upon the bodies and deep misery upon the souls of his people.

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250 GERMANS IN IRAN SURRENDERED TO ALLIES

(By Reuter's Special Correspondent in Iran)

THE FIRST BATCH OF 250 GERMANS TO BE SURRENDERED TO BRITAIN AND RUSSIA UNDER THE TERMS ANNOUNCED ON WEDNESDAY IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE TEHERAN IN HEAVILY GUARDED TRAINS THIS MORNING.

Two hundred Germans who were handed over to the British authorities will be taken to a concentration camp at Ahwaz, southern Iran.

The remaining 50, comprising Germans for whom the Russians have specially asked, will go to Kasvin, nearest Russian-occupied point to Teheran.

Each day after Friday a further batch of Germans will be sent to Ahwaz until all are rounded up and they will then be shipped to India.

Germans with diplomatic immunity—numbering 14 Nazis, with several wives and children—as well as accredited members of the Italian, Hungarian and Rumanian Legations—will probably motor to Khanaqin, on the Iraq frontier, and thence proceed by rail through Baghdad and Turkey to their own countries.

All Not In

These decisions were taken yesterday at a meeting between representatives of the Russian Embassy, the British Legation and the Iranian Government.

It is not yet known whether the principal German agents will try to evade being rounded up.

All those who are scattered from Teheran to Isfahan and other centres have not yet been brought back despite the Iranian Government's request that the German Legation send cars to fetch them.

Relieved!

It is believed a large number of Germans, particularly those who have been in Iran some considerable time, are relieved at falling in British hands rather than being sent back to Germany.

The trains in which the Germans will leave Teheran in order to be handed over to the British and Russians will be guarded by armed Iranian police in every carriage and at each end of the train. In addition, there will be armed police at each station on the line.

At Ahwaz and Kasvin the Germans will be taken over by the British and Russians, and the Iranian Government will no longer be responsible for them.—Reuter.

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The decision has been taken to meet the wartime difficulties of workers travelling daily in and out of London where the concentration is greater in number and time than in any other city and where the journey home is longer.—British Wireless.

EVADED FARE

For avoiding payment of bus fare yesterday, Cheung Tit-man, teacher, was fined \$20 or one week by Mr. H. C. Macnamara this morning.

WAR MUST COME FIRST

IT WAS SUGGESTED AT QUESTION TIME IN THE COMMONS YESTERDAY BY MR. CHARLES AMMON (LABOUR) THAT THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT HAD PLACED DIFFICULTIES IN THE WAY OF AN ATTEMPT TO START AN INDIAN AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURING PLANT BY REFUSING TO RELEASE THE NECESSARY MACHINERY AND PROVIDE DOLLARS TO PURCHASE THE NECESSARY MATERIAL FROM THE U.S.

Mr. Ammon asked whether the establishment of such an industry could be used in connection with the production of war potential.

Mr. L. S. Amery, Secretary of State for India, replying, declined to accept Mr. Ammon's statement and added that the resources which the establishment of an automobile industry would draw upon are fully required for the development of Indian war production.

In reply to a question about such development after the war, Mr. Amery said there were no difficulties in the way provided they do not, at this moment, draw upon the labour and material urgently required for war production.—Reuter.

BOHEMIA NOW SEETHING WITH UNREST

FROM NORTHERN Norway to Sicily, from the Channel coast to central Poland, the prostrated peoples have begun to recover their willpower and organise resistance to Germany, says the "Boston Globe."

Evidence of this, says the paper, flows from behind the walls of censorship in an ever-increasing volume.

It is no longer necessary to trust the assertions of refugees nor the skilfully maintained machinery of underground agencies which the governments in exile have established in their unhappy homelands.

The best testimony comes from the Nazis who find it necessary to employ publicity in their efforts to stem the rising storm.

In the past the spread of rebellion could have been attributed to the spectre of famine. Another formidable cause of unrest is the tactics of robbery applied wherever German troops have taken over control.

Bohemia Seethes

Bohemia seethes and 250,000 additional German police have been rushed in to contend with arson, assassination and wrecking. Dour Holland carries on the combat with a taciturn efficiency which has infuriated the imported gauleiters, Belgium riots.

SOLITARY RAIDER

During yesterday a single enemy aircraft dropped bombs harmlessly at one point in north-eastern Scotland. Otherwise there was nothing to report, says Reuter.

ARREST OF NAZIS IN IRAN

The Nazis are furious about the delivery of Germans in Iran into Russian and British hands, according to press reports reaching Zurich yesterday.

Berlin regards the handing over of Germans to Russia as "barbarity," according to the Berlin correspondent of the "Zurich Tages-Anzeiger."

It considers the British Government responsible and threatens reprisals against British war prisoners and civilians in Germany.

48 Hours Allowed

It is understood that the period of 48 hours allowed by the Anglo-Soviet authorities for handing over German nationals in Persia has now expired and that German and Italian nationals are being rounded up and brought to the main centres of Iran.

It is probable that they may be interned in Persia, but the possibility of their being taken to India is not ruled out.—Reuter.

CAUTION FOR TRAFFIC OFFENSIVE

Mr. C. L. Salter, of No. 123 Robinson Road, was cautioned by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, at the Central Magistracy this morning, for failing to report an accident on July 22.

It was stated that Mr. Salter collided with an Air Raid Warden in the last black-out when driving in Hennessy Road.

Mrs. D. G. Wilson, of No. 74 St. John's Apartment, was fined \$5 for driving car No. 3344 on July 30 without a driver's licence. She was cautioned for driving an unlicensed car.

DINNER-PARTIES AND SUB-CONTRACTS TO KIN LEE A WIFE

(Continued from Page 3)

Where? — I went to see him in his house.

What for? Because on one occasion there was a collapse of a tunnel and I wanted him to inspect the collapse.

How long was that ago? — Either in February or March.

Did he go with you to see the collapse? — He did not go with me. He told me to go first. I went there to get instructions what to do.

You went away? — Yes.
Did he come? — No.

Dinner Party

Was that the only occasion you went to his house after 8 p.m.? — I went there on another occasion about Christmas time last year.

Why? — He invited me to dinner at his house.

Did you go? — Yes, I arrived after nine.

Did you have dinner? — Yes.

Was this a friendly dinner or on business? — There were several Europeans there too.

Who were they? — Mr. Lavrov of Marsman's, Mr. Simpson. — I do not know what he does — and a gentleman from Marsman's. That is all.

Was it a nice dinner? — Turkey and something else.

Wine? — Yes.

"Uncomfortable"

You all had a very nice time? — I believe everybody present, except myself, had a very nice time. I was uncomfortable as I was not used to parties of this sort. I had been invited and thought it would be bad form if I did not show up.

You did not have indignation, like Mr. B. C. Lam, did you? — As a matter of fact I had my dinner before I went.

So you did not have any appetite? — I was the only Chinese in the party and I felt uncomfortable.

Now, having attended this dinner did you not return the hospitality? — Since I was invited personally I never thought of that.

Anybody do it on your behalf? — I myself had never paid for any dinners.

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On your behalf? — Oh, yes, Kin Lee gave a dinner.

When? — Early this year.

Where? — At the Golden City Restaurant.

Did you go to the dinner? — Yes, sir.

Remember who also were there? — Our manager, Mr. Wan Hin, was there.

Was Ah Ting there? — No.

Waterworks Staff

Any Europeans? — Everybody in the Water Works office, except Mr. Bickford and Mr. Woodman attended. One of them said he had a toothache.

Can you tell me why Kin Lee should invite the whole staff of the Water Works Department? — Since Mr. Campbell had invited me to a dinner, I reported the matter to Kin Lee and they decided to invite the whole staff.

Very nice of them. So, because Mr. Campbell invited you to a dinner in his own house, Kin Lee decided to invite the whole staff of the Water Works? — Yes.

Is Kin Lee doing any work for the Water Works Department? — Yes sir, we are doing the Eastern Filter Bed Scheme.

How much is that worth? — About \$250,000.

Any other work? — Yes, but that has already been completed.

You got this Filter Bed contract before or after you gave the dinner? — I cannot remember.

About Same Time

Well, try to remember. — I cannot remember what month.

How many months ago? — About four months ago.

How many months ago did you get the contract? — About the same time.

The dinner was given about the same time you got the contract, but you cannot remember before or after? — Yes.

Did you sub-contract any part of the work? — Yes, for carrying the earth etc.

Have you got the right to sub-contract? — It has been our system of working over several tens of years. If we are not allowed to sub-let we will not be able to finish the work.

In other words you are not a contractor in the strict sense of the word? — We sub-let only the labour. We supply the material.

That is not true. You sub-contract all the tunnel work, don't you? — Yes.

Well then, don't make statements that are not true. — The same system is followed in the Water Works scheme.

You have a written contract from Government? — Yes.

Is there anything in that contract that allows you to sub-contract? — I cannot remember.

Well, go back and look it up. Now, to return to the party.

What party, sir? — The party in the Golden City Restaurant. What time did it finish? — About 12 midnight.

How much did it cost? — About \$80.

Brought Own Wine

Only \$80? — We brought our own wine.

And how much did that cost? — About \$30.

So you drank only \$30 worth of wine? — I am not sure, but that is only a rough estimate of mine.

I think a fairer estimate would be \$300. — Not as much as that, sir.

Has Kin Lee given another party since that one? — Yes. About a week later.

Who did he ask? — The Port Development people.

Is that part of the P.W.D.? — Yes, sir.

Why did he invite them? — We gave dinners every year and it depends whether we want to invite Europeans or Chinese.

Port Development

I am asking you why you asked the Port Development staff. Have you a contract with them? — Yes, for repair work.

You remember who were there, and the names of the people? — Although I was present, I was not in charge of this work, so I did not know their names.

Were there any Europeans? — They were all Europeans.

Mr. Campbell there? — No.

What was the next party Kin Lee gave? — These were the only two parties he gave this year.

Last year? — Yes, but all the guests were Chinese.

So you started inviting European guests this year? — Yes.

Why did you do that? — Because Mr. Campbell had invited me to dinner and I reported the matter to Kin Lee who wanted to reciprocate.

"Mr. Campbell's Kindness"

So it was due to Mr. Campbell's kindness to you that you started inviting Europeans from Government Departments? — Yes.

And it is a strange coincidence that the people you invited were connected with contracts you were doing? — It was not because of that.

I did not say it was because of that, I merely said it was a strange coincidence. Well, now that you have told us that you had been to Mr. Campbell's dinner and had met him at another, do you still say you are not a social friend of Mr. Campbell's? — Because he had invited me out to dinner, it does not follow I am a personal friend of his.

Witness was then told he would not be required further during today's session but that he would be informed by the Secretary of the Commission should he be wanted at a later stage.

Wife Called

Next witness called was To Lai Chong, wife of last witness, and she told the chairman that they had been married ten years.

You live in Hong Kong? — Yes. I understand you have a transportation company? — Yes.

You are the sole proprietress? — Yes.

Tell the Commissioners how you came to form the company.

Witness said that first of all a person who had been in the transportation business, and who was short of capital, approached her to form a company.

Who is this person? — A man named Pun So.

When was it that he approached you? — Some time last year he asked me to start such a line of business.

Under what firm name did Pun So work? — The business belonged to his father.

What firm name did his father use? — Pun Cho Kee.

What was his father's name? — I do not know.

Ever seen him in your life? — No.

Furnished Capital

Well then, tell us what happened. — This man asked me to start the business and I desired to do so. He asked me to furnish the capital.

Did you give it to him? — Yes.

How much? — \$5,000.

Where did you get it from? — My father gave it to me.

Where is your father? — He died four or five years ago.

When did he give you the money then? — Before he died.

Where did you keep it? — I kept it myself.

In the house? — Yes.

Right. So when this man asked you for capital you gave it to him? — Yes.

You call your firm the Wun Tung Transportation Co.? — Yes.

How many lorries did you buy? — I had no desire to buy any lorries.

How did you do business then? — I had no desire to buy any lorries.

Well then, since your company had no lorries, what was the need for the \$5,000? — To meet expenses.

What expenses? — To pay sub-contractors and workmen.

Sub-contractors? — Yes.

What do you mean by sub-contractors? — I mean sub-contractors for the removal of the earth.

Did you get this contract from your husband? — Yes.

Another Firm

You know Kwong Wing Co.? — Yes.

Is that your husband's firm? — No. My firm.

Is that another firm of yours then? — Yes.

What does that firm do? — Also transportation work.

And had they also got a contract from your husband for the removal of earth in Kowloon? — Yes.

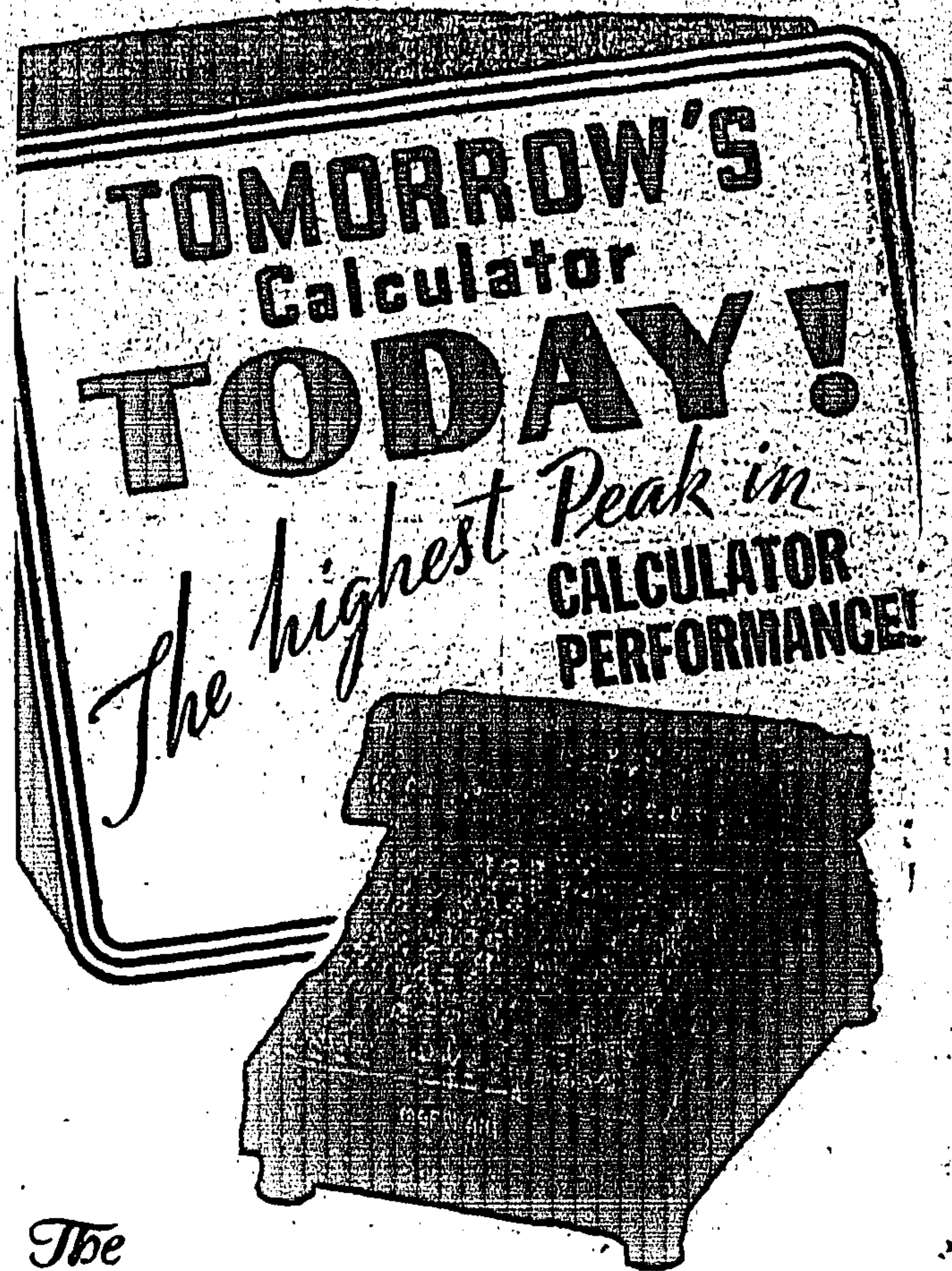
Are you the sole proprietress of that? — Yes.

What capital did you invest in that? — The Kwong Wing and Wun Tung are the same business. After some time I decided to give up the Wun Tung.

When was that? — I think some time this year. In March or April.

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"Bed, Hawkins? On a morning like this? I've been over to the mill pool for a swim. Icy cold — very bracing — tingling all over. What are the tinny pleasures of an effete civilisation compared with the joys of the simple life?"

"What indeed, Sir. Unfortunately, Sir, I assumed that after that party you were at last night you would be well — late to the forenoon, and would require little if any, breakfast. In fact, I instructed Cook to that effect."

"Hawkins, you weren't expecting that I'd have a hangover? That's man of my ripe experience would have a morning after?"

"Oh no, Sir. Not exactly a hangover, Sir."

"Don't quibble, Hawkins. Of course you did. How were you to know that I finished up the evening with a stiff glass of Rose's Little Juice? Rose's, most refreshing and refreshing of beverages."

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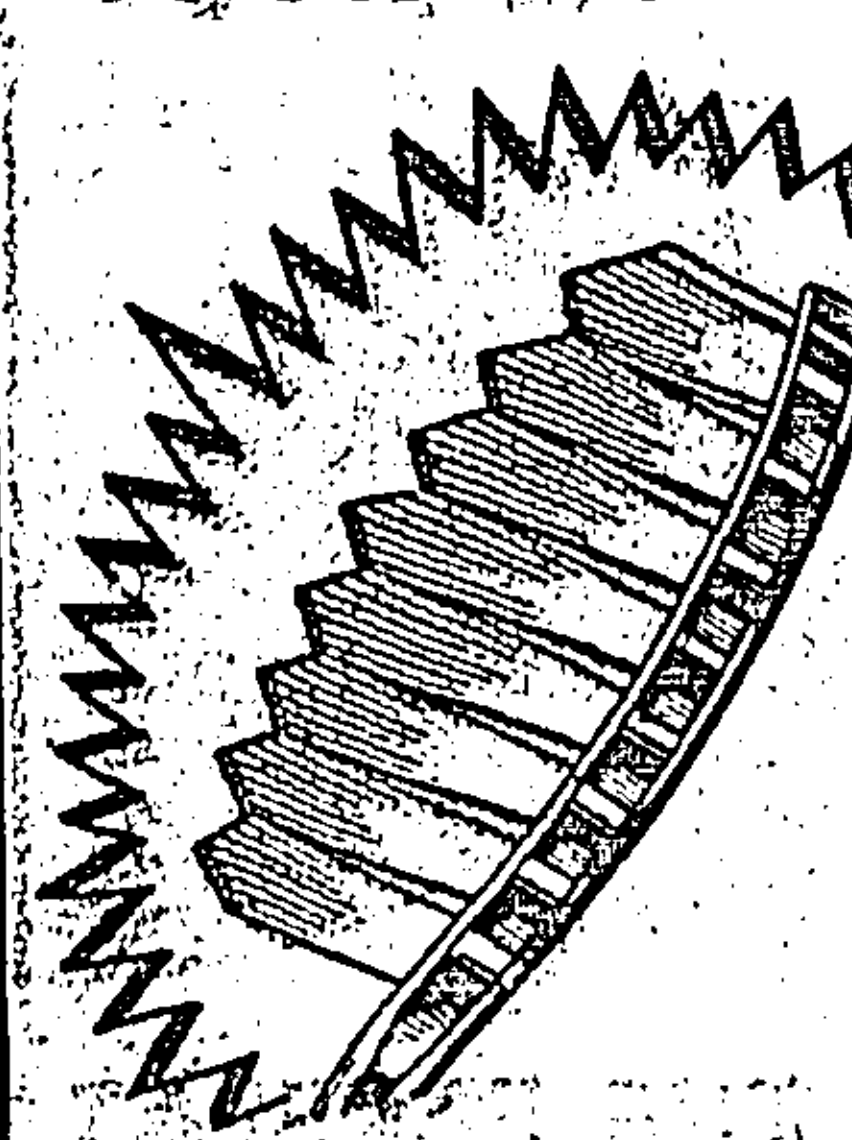
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NORTH
♠ K 5
♥ 8 7 5 2
♦ K 9 6 5
♣ 8 6 5
WEST EAST
♠ Q 8 3 2 ♠ 10 7
♥ Q J 10 6 ♥ K 9 4 3
♦ 10 7 2 ♦ J 8 4 3
♣ A 3 ♣ 9 4 2
SOUTH
♠ A J 9 6 4
♥ A
♦ A Q
♣ K Q J 10 7

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
3♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the Queen of hearts, South winning with the Ace. Declarer led a trump to dummy's King and finessed a trump, losing to West's Queen. West led another heart, and South ruffed. Declarer then played the trump Ace, discovering that West had as many trumps as he did. He therefore switched to clubs, knocking out West's club Ace. West led a third heart, and South used his last trump to ruff it. Eventually, West ruffed a club and cashed his last heart to defeat the contract.

Now — someone has committed a frightful crime, but it isn't at all obvious. See if you can spot the crime and the criminal before you read on.

South was the criminal, for he should have made his contract despite the excellent defence. He could afford to lose two trump tricks and a club, but could not afford to lose control of the hand (as actually happened). Correct play, therefore, was not to take a trump finesse!

Instead, it was correct for South to draw two rounds of trumps with dummy's King and his own Ace. Then, with three trumps still left in his hand, South could have forced out the Ace of clubs without having to fear the consequences. West would take the club Ace and lead another heart, reducing South to two trumps. But then South could lead clubs until West felt like ruffing. It would be a sort of counter-forcing game, and South would remain one jump ahead of West and therefore make his contract.

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and with both sides vulnerable, you held:

♠ K 9 7
♥ 3 2
♦ A J 10 4
♣ K J 6 5

The bidding:

Jacoby	Yon	Schenker	Burnstone
1♥	Pass	2♥	2♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
5♥	Dbl.	Pass	5♠
Pass	(?)		

ANSWER: Pass. Your partner cannot be interested in a slam since he passed four spades; and you have already told your story. You must allow your partner to make this kind of decision without his having to fear that you will take him too high.

Score: 100% for pass, 0 for any bid.

Question No. 819

To-day you are Howard Schenker's partner and with neither side vulnerable, you hold:

♠ Q 10 7 5
♥ 8
♦ K J 5 2
♣ Q 9 4 3

The bidding:

Schenker	Jacoby	Yon	Maley
1♠	2♥	(?)	

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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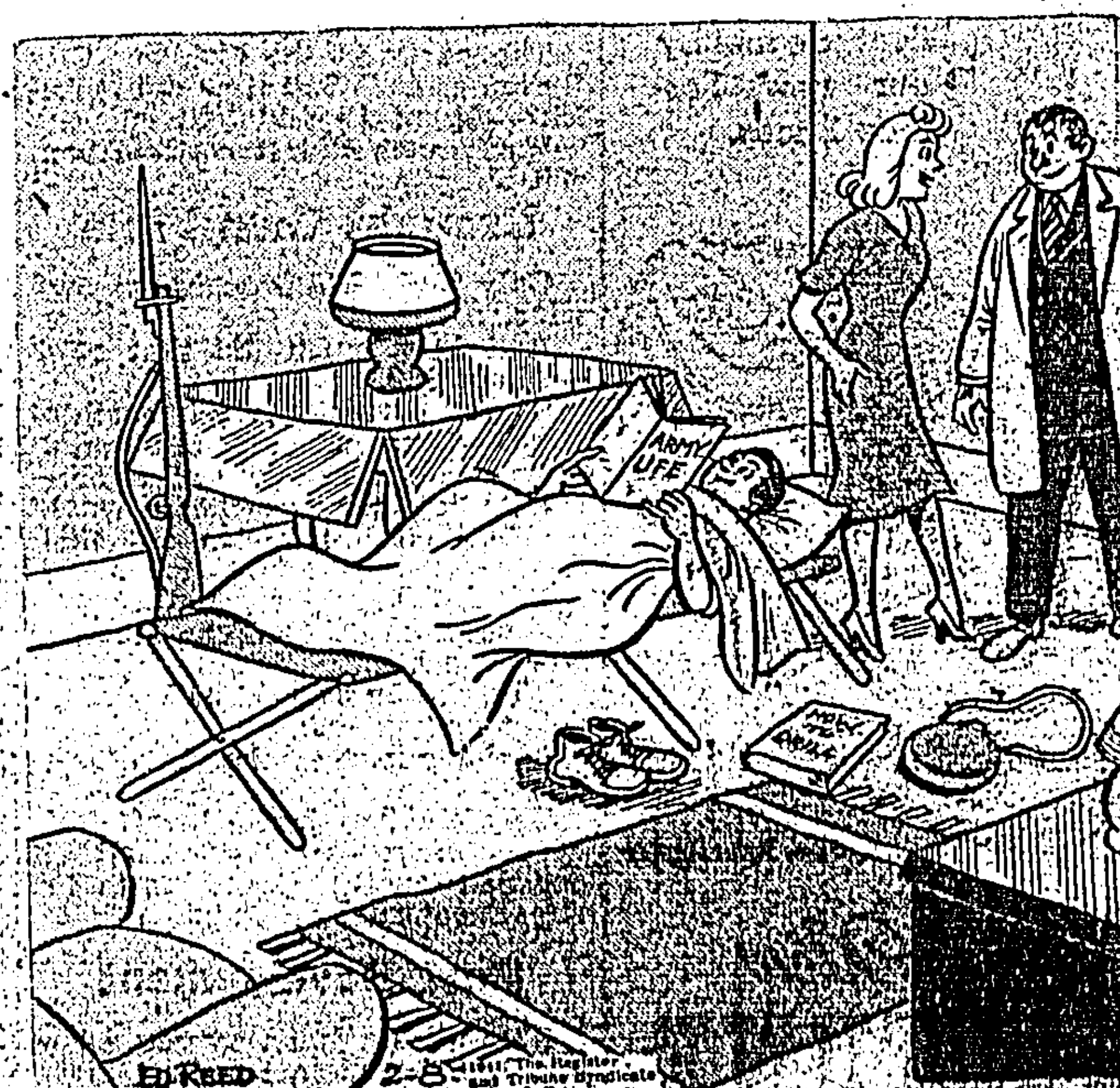
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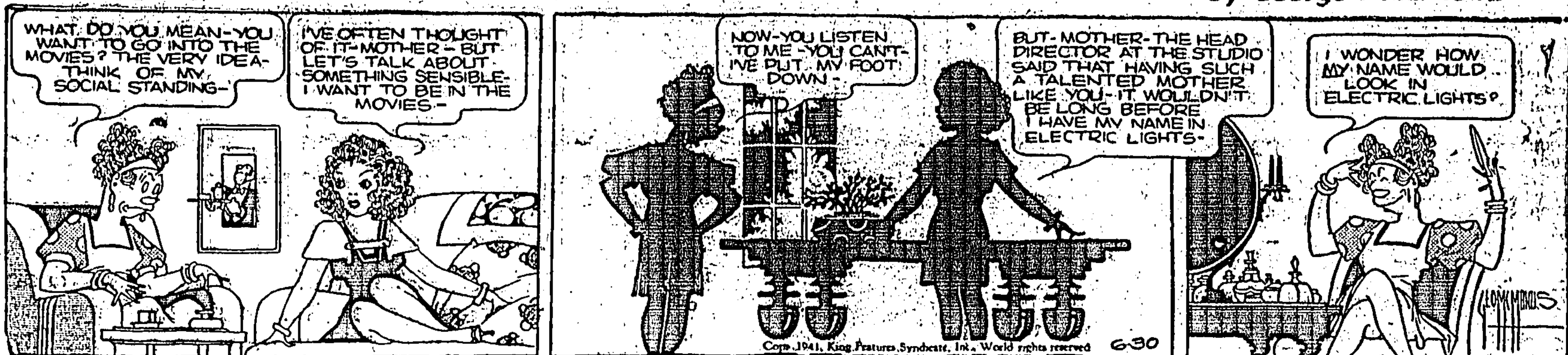
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DINNER-PARTIES AND KIN LEE SUB-CONTRACTS TO A WIFE

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because Mr. Pun So wanted to give it up.
 And is that why you wanted to give it up?—Yes.

So Kwong Wing was not in existence when you gave up the Wan Tung?—No sir, Wan Tung was never wound up or dissolved.

And what capital did you put in the Kwong Wing?—My intention was to close up the Wan Tung and start the Kwong Wing, but the Wan Tung had never been wound up.

What capital did you put into Kwong Wing?—I did not put any money into the Kwong Wing.

A Transfer

Therefore Kwong Wing was started without any money?—The money was transferred from Wan Tung.

So that Wan Tung is still running, but without any money?—Yes.

Do you know Cheung Lee?—Yes.

Is that the name of a man or a firm name?—A firm name.

Have you anything to do with Cheung Lee?—No.

Do you know anything about it?—No.

Do you know Wan Kau?—No sir.

Had Kwong Wing any sub-contracts from Kin Lee other than for the removal of earth?—Yes, something else.

What was that?—I cannot remember.

Shall I remind you? Did you have a sub-contract for labour?—We did only transportation business and nothing else.

Why has Kin Lee in his accounts the item, in May, showing "Kwong Hing, labour \$6,842.50"?—I don't remember.

It is not so long ago, only in May this year. Not the whole amount was paid.

How much was paid?—I don't remember.

Labour Sub-Contract

But you do remember, don't you, that you were given a sub-contract for labour by your husband's firm?—Yes.

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out of that contract?—I don't remember.

Your husband told us this morning that in four months the transportation company had been paid \$13,000?—Yes.

And since that date you have made another \$13,000?—Yes, if the amount of work had been done.

Have you any idea how much Kwong Wing had paid out for transportation?—I cannot remember.

In May 1941 they were paid \$3,400 by Kin Lee?—Yes sir.

Did you also undertake the transportation of timber?—What kind of timber?

I don't know, I am only looking at a statement here. In May, 1941 you were paid \$1,400 by your husband's firm for the transportation of timber?—Yes.

"A Good Thing"

In other words you are making a very good thing out of these contracts for transportation.—I don't know as I have not worked it out yet.

Well we'll work it out for you. Will you come back on Monday at 10.30 a.m.?—Yes sir.

At this point, hearing was adjourned till Monday, 10.30 a.m. in the Pulse Judge's Court.

A CORRECTION

In yesterday's report of the A.R.P. inquiry proceedings, a sentence was inadvertently omitted from the reply of Mr. Kwong Wing to a question by the Chairman regarding the variation in the basis of the contract. When asked whether the cost plus basis was to the benefit of Kin Lee, and to the detriment of Government, Mr. Kwong Wing replied: Correct. But only as far as the 200-foot tunnel was concerned.

Belgian Valour

The authentic story of how the Belgian Army fought desperately to the last of its reserves to help save the British Army at Dunkirk, was told yesterday for the first time in "Belgium—the official account of what happened in 1939 to 1940."

The book, published by the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in London, contains a photograph of a charred German document which proves that Hitler had completed by January, 1940, detailed plans for an invasion of the Low Countries.

"The capitulation occurred at the last extremity," states the record. "The Belgian Army, having done its utmost to cover the British forces going to Dunkirk, did not lay down its arms until it could continue the struggle no longer."—Reuter.

QUIET WEDDING

THE WEDDING TOOK PLACE AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH YESTERDAY OF MISS JEAN MACLEOD MATHER AND CAPTAIN DAVID ALAN FINLAYSON MATHERS OF THE 2/14 PUNJAB REGIMENT.

Rev. H. A. Wittenbach officiated and Mr. David Lee was at the organ.

The bridegroom was attended by Captain R. Blair as best man. The bride wore a white embossed tulle gown cut with a tight bodice and a full flare skirt. Her tulle veil was held in place with a spray of orange blossoms and she carried a spray of white tuber-roses.

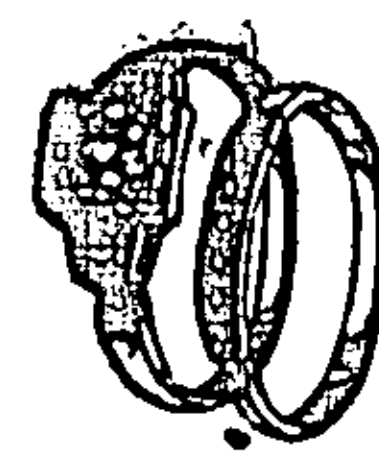
Mrs. F. W. N. Bassett attended the bride as matron-of-honour. The reception, held at the Punjab Mess, was largely attended.

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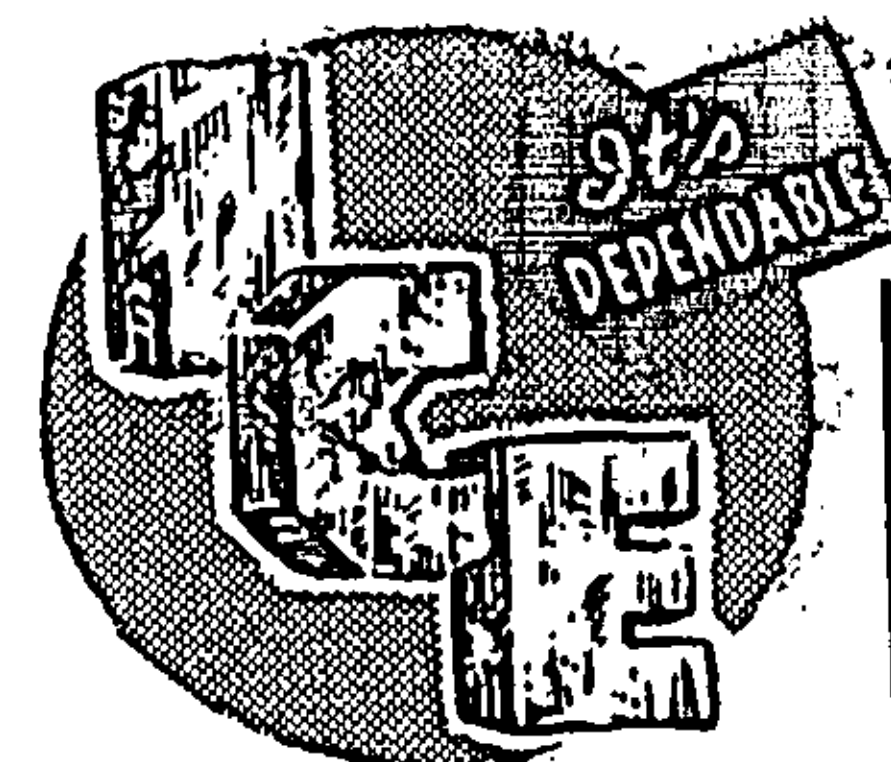
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8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Com-
mentary.
8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening
Post"—Examination of Points in
Daily German Propaganda.
8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.
8.32 p.m.—Charlie Kunz (Piano) and
Frances Day (Vocal).
9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-
nouncements.
9.02 p.m.—An Hour of Classical
Requests.
9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on
Short Wave only).
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10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News
and News Commentary.
10.15 p.m.—A Programme of Scottish
Music and Songs.
10.40 p.m.—Dance Music.
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History"—Kemal Attaturk, Turkey's
Great Statesman, By Barbara Ward.
11.15 p.m.—Close down.

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already sacrificed their lives on
behalf of the country. Our roll of
honour is a distinguished one and

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creasing one but there is none of
us who will not be willing to of-
fer every service he can towards
victory on behalf of our country."
—British Wireless.

CONCESSIONS TO CHINA

Following receipt of official
notification from the British Em-
bassy of the exemption from
payment of transit dues of
American "Lease and Lend"
goods for China through Burma
and the granting of a subvention
by the British Government to
the Government of Burma at the
rate of ten rupees a ton in res-
pect to such goods, the Chinese
Foreign Minister, Dr. Quo Tai-
chi, has written to the British
Ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark
Kerr, expressing the Chinese
Government's appreciation.

Dr. Quo also thanked Sir
Archibald personally for being
instrumental in bringing about
the exemption. —Central News.

LAVAL LEAVES HOSPITAL

According to the official Ger-
man news agency, Laval, who
was shot at Versailles, left hos-
pital yesterday. —Reuter.

FLEET AIR ARM KEEPS UP HEAVY ONSLAUGHTS

"THE BIGGEST BLAZE I have ever seen
since we started operations out here," was the
description given by one pilot to a great fire
which R.A.F. bombers left burning at Mes-
sina, Sicily, early on Wednesday morning,
says the Air Ministry news service.

Targets were the power house and landing
stages of ferries connecting Sicily with the
mainland. Numerous heavy bombs were
dropped.

Some pilots dived low to
straddle the objectives, and one
pilot was so fascinated by the
vivid light from a fire raging
near the Citadel that he flew
around watching for about half
an hour.

The Air Ministry also states
that 14 Axis planes dispersed
on aerodromes in Cyrenaica
have been destroyed in a week
without loss by naval aircraft
operating with the R.A.F.

Yesterday's Middle East R.A.F.
communiqué reported the ac-
tivities of the R.A.F. and Fleet Air
Arm in the Mediterranean.

A raid on Sicily, the commu-
iqué says, took place on Monday
night when several places were
bombed.

Docks And Ships

The harbour at Palermo was
attacked. Bombs were dropped
on the docks and many hits were
observed on the three main quays
and a drydock. Three large
merchant-ships are believed to
have been damaged, and a fire
broke out on the northern quay
near oil storage installations.

On the same night bombs were
dropped on the aerodromes at
Catania and Gernini and both
objectives were machine-gunned.

R.A.F. heavy bombers attack-
ed the power station, ferry ships
and landing stages at Messina
during Tuesday night.

Citadel Blaze

Many direct hits were scored
and fires broke out near the

commercial oil tanks. Another
very big blaze was started in the
Citadel area.

Fleet Air Arm aircraft the
same night bombed and machine-
gunned the aerodrome at Castel
Vetrano, and a large fire was
started.

The Fleet Air Arm also bomb-
ed the aerodromes at Gambut
and Menastir, in Cyrenaica, on
Tuesday night.

At Gambut, bombs fell near
aircraft on the ground two of
which were destroyed while
others were damaged.

From these operations all our
aircraft returned safely. —Reuter.

ROBBERY RUSE

Two Chinese, alleged to have
been admitted by sub-tenants
who later disappeared, robbed
three women of some \$1,000 in
money and jewellery at No. 100,
Portland Street last night.

A 52-year-old widow, Chu Wai-
ching, in a report to the police
stated that at 11 p.m. a Shanghai
couple who rented a cubicle in
the flat brought in two strangers.

They bound and gagged the
widow and two other women, and
ransacked the place. When the
police arrived they found the
Shanghai couple had disappeared
leaving behind some scanty be-
longings.



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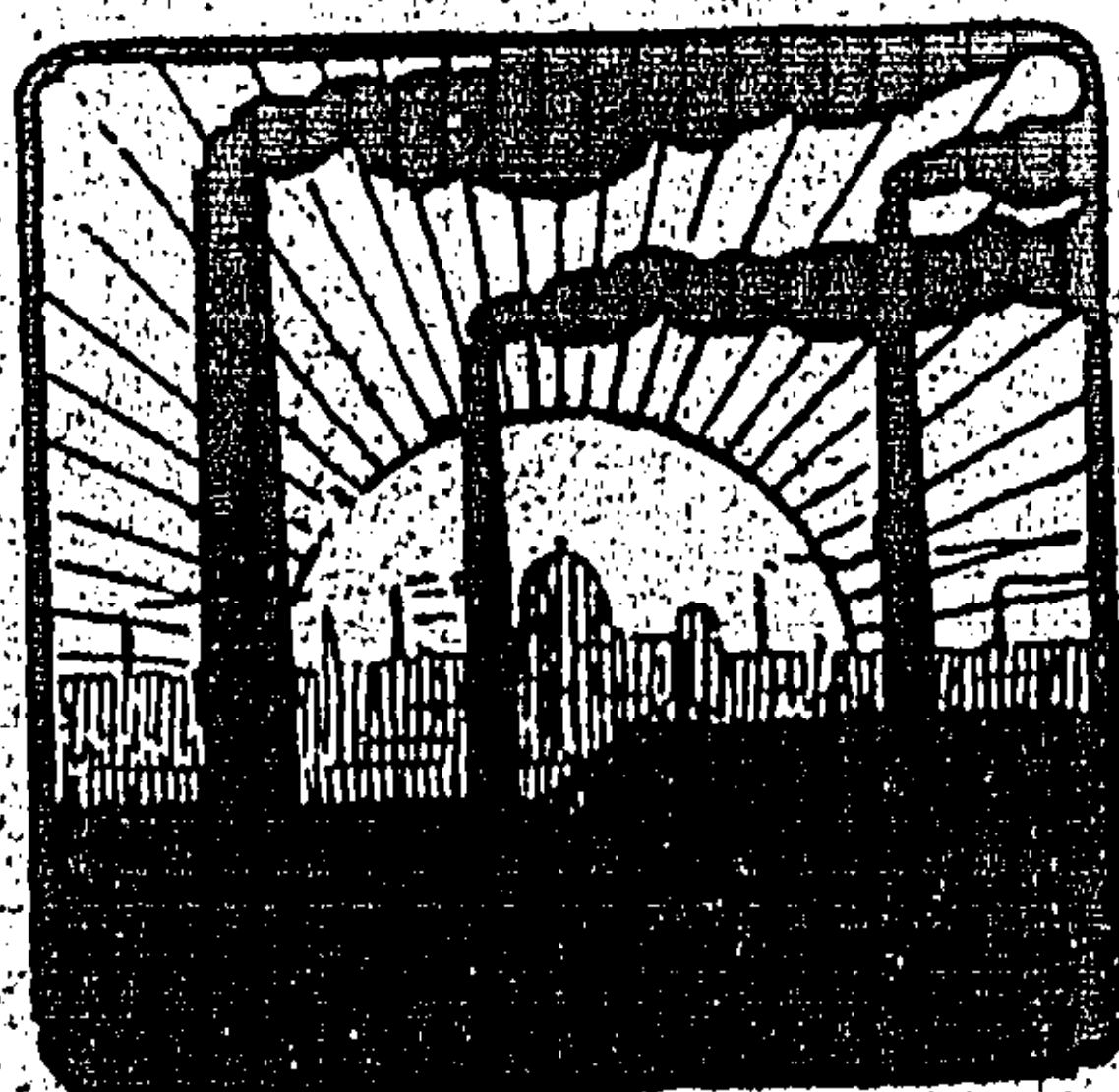
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CRAIGENGOWER WERE WITHOUT 2 GOOD MEN BUT NO POLICE EXCUSE

By "Skip"

Scene: a Volunteer Company Office. Time: 0615 hrs on Sunday morning. Two copies of the "Sunday Herald" are brought in and your "Skip" opens one at the bowls page. "Good Lord" he exclaims, "What's the matter?" asks his companion, "have they taken Leningrad?" "No," I reply "but Indians beat Craigen-gower." Collapse of said companion!

Little less surprising to my mind was the defeat of Police third team by Craigen-gower, even though the game was on the latter's green. The home team did not look especially strong, whilst Jock Orem turned out as three to MacDonald.

Police are still sitting pretty though, especially in view of the fact that one of their outstanding games—the last one of the season—is against Kowloon Bowling Green Club, who narrowly lead in this division. The game is to be played at the Valley and as the Police won at Austin Road recently they must be full of confidence.

Craigen-gower Unlucky

CRAIGENGOWER were unlucky in that they had two good men absent, Rossetet was on Volunteer duty and Landolt was selected to skip in his place, but Alf Coates just did not arrive and a substitute in Penney had to be sent for. Luckily, he was standing by in the Craigen-gower Club. This delay precluded my seeing more than a couple of ends, which was disappointing to me, but duty called at 5.30.

"Wardie" took Coates's place as three to Bradbury, while Bill Penney filling up as second man, but the combination was not nearly strong enough to hold Abbas on his own private rink, as I have previously called it. He has missed playing on it only once this season! Bradbury, it is only just to add, was far from well, and I hear he was directing the heads from a chair on the bank at one stage of the game.

A. K. Minu touched his best form against Joe Landolt, who was never in the hunt and scored only three singles and a two. His team were being outbowed all the way, although Razack put up some sort of a show against a strong lead in Khan. The rest of Landolt's men were surprisingly weak and seemed to have no fight left after the first few heads.

Omar did the expected, and it looks as if he will go through the season unbeaten. I believe C. G. Silva performed this feat some

SECOND ST. LEGER

Three-year-olds are to have a new race which will be termed the "Newmarket St. Leger, with a thousand sovereigns added.

The inaugural race will be decided at Newmarket's second October meeting, on the day following the Cambridgeshire, and is taking the place of the Jockey Club's Cup event.

There will be no penalties and no allowance and it is virtually a repetition of the New St. Leger, being over the same distance of one mile and six furlongs.

The St. Leger winner, Sun Castle, has been retired for the season and will not participate, but the Derby winner, Owen Tudor, is likely to run.—Reuter.

WOMEN'S GOLF

THE LAST EIGHT IN THE AMERICAN WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP, WHICH IS BEING PLAYED AT BROOKLINE, MASSACHUSETTS, ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Mrs. Torgerson, Mrs. Page, Mrs. Goldthwaite, Miss Helen Giel, Miss Sylvia Lechner, Miss Clara Callender, Mrs. Hicks and Miss Janet Younker.—Reuter.

Mr. R. P. Phillips, Hon. Secretary, H. K. Lawn Bowls Association, has asked the "China Mail" to draw the attention of those players who have not yet played off their First Round matches in the Colony Singles Championship to the fact that they are requested to do so without further delay, as they are holding up the draw for Second Round games.

SHANGHAI BOWLS CHAMPIONS

W. R. Chislow won the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Singles Championship on September 6, when he beat B. F. Marques 21—9 in the final, while A. Marshall's four (A. Hogg, R. Matheson and A. McLean) beat R. C. Aitkenhead's rink (A. Cheetham, L. Beattie and F. McPherson) 23—17 in the final of the Rinks Championship. The pairs title went to G. N. Manley and T. G. J. d'Almeida who beat W. J. Monk and W. J. Ward 21—14.

bowling first, unsuccessfully tried a draw, but Aitken made it look child's play by drawing the first and, just by way of an exhibition shot—possibly for my benefit—he drew the second one. The draw was not an easy one, especially as the kitty was at the road end. His subsequent win by half a dozen shots was the only point the Police secured though, for both Carey and MacDonald went down.

George Ladd claimed the former as his victim by 9 shots, Francis Lee as lead having a big say in the success.

Lionel Lammert was, I am told, rather jolly to beat MacDonald, horrible wicks when the enemy lay five on two occasions, contributing to his favourable result.

Sgt. Riches, Middlesex full-back, has injured his knee and will be out of soccer for some time.

OMAR RETAINS SAME RINK IN BID FOR 100 PER CENT. RECORD

Only the 100 per cent. Omar's rink in Craigen-gower's First Division League Bowls team for to-morrow remains unchanged for this week-end. In Bradbury's four the front men will be Souza, Hong Sling and Coates as against Leonard, Penny and Ward last week, while Rossetet will return to the side as skip and will lead Razack, Lammert and Landolt. Last week Landolt was skip with Razack, Coelho and Souza as his front men.

Electric Recreation Club have made a number of changes in their Third Division team for this week. In Gardner's rink Crawford and Gregory, Nos. 1 and 2 respectively, have changed positions. Butler, who had Owens, Groome and Barron in his rink the last time, will have Groome, Way and Stoker this time. Lunny's rink will be Stonehouse, Everett and Paul, as against Way, Stonehouse and Stoker when they last played.

Following are the selected teams:—
CRAIGENGOWER
First Division (v Police R.C., away at 4.30 p.m.):—L. C. R. Souza, W. Hong Sling, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip); A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, R. Basa and U. M. Omar (skip); A. A. Razack, L. E. Lammert, J. S. Landolt

and C. S. Rossetet (skip).
Second Division (v Kowloon F.C. home, at 4.30 p.m.):—S. R. Solina, W. E. Broadbridge, E. Zimmern and T. Lock (skip); J. H. Xavier, D. A. Rozario, H. W. Randall and W. K. Way (skip); W. J. Penny, E. S. Franks, G. S. Ladd and W. Ward (skip).

KOWLOON B.G.C.
"A" First Division (v C.S.C.C., home at 4 p.m.):—L. Guy, G. W. Deacon, A. Hyde-Lay and A. M. Holland (skip); H. Lockhart, H. White, A. Bower and A. J. Hall (skip); W. L. Walker, W. McNeill, E. Levett and R. Duncan (skip).
"B" First Division (v I.R.C., home at 4 p.m.):—A. J. Rogers, V. C. Dixon, P. A. Peckham and L. Sykes (skip); R. P. Phillips, E. A. Atkins, J. C. Gill and J. McKelvie (skip); P. Holloway, G. W. Elphick, I. Newton and J. G. Meyer (skip).

KOWLOON F.C.
Second Division (v Craigen-gower C.C., away, at 4 p.m.):—B. D. Evans, A. A. Dand, V. Atienza and W. V. Field (skip); W. C. Simpson, A. E. Eastman, E. Kerr and V. Chittenden (skip); A. Lapsley, W. C. Ogley, W. Hyde and P. Youngusband (skip).
Third Division (v Electric R.C., home at 4 p.m.):—R. Lau, C. H. Fuller, R. Lapsley and C. Dowman (skip); G. P. Cross, C. Woodcock, A. Macintyre and R. M. Ogden (skip); G. Frost, Y. Abbas, W. Naei and T. Fergusson (skip). Reserve: A. Thomson.

KOWLOON TONG
Second Division (v H.K.C.C., home) at 4 p.m.):—H. A. Castro, A. Madar, J. Smith and A. J. Kew (skip); N. A. E. Mackay, T. K. Lim, J. N. Wong and J. L. Stephens (skip); H. Gittins, M. S. Phoon, A. E. Castro and A. Sparg (skip). Reserve: J. Tang.

ELECTRIC R.C.
Third Division (v Kowloon F.C. away):—W. Stonehouse, A. G. Everett, A. F. Paul and J. F. Lunny (skip); R. F. Gregory, G. W. K. Crawford, W. E. Macfarlane and A. G. Gardner (skip); E. L. Groome, J. F. Way, W. Stokes and R. C. Butler (skip).

POLICE R.C.
First Division (v Craigen-gower C.C., home):—W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd (skip); C. H. Gough, J. M. Forrest, E. G. Post and J. S. Fender (skip); W. J. Cameron, C. Pile, W. McHardy and W. E. Holland (skip). Reserve: J. Hendridge.

Third Division (v Hong Kong C.C., away):—J. E. Hayward, F. Nolan, J. Riddell and J. C. Aitken (skip); A. Soutar, W. M. Smith, J. Orem and J. W. MacDonald (skip); L. C. Pennell, A. J. Johnson, F. Channing and A. E. Carey (skip). Reserve: G. Willerton.

VALLEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Following are Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's starting times for the Championship of Happy Valley on Sunday:

8.30 a.m.	A. K. MacKenzie, F. D. Hunter.
9.00	R. M. Keown, T. J. Price.
9.10	D. Wass, G. E. Willerton.
9.15	A. J. Dennis, F. C. Barry.
9.20	N. J. Booker, J. M. Thomson.
9.25	A. McKellar, J. L. Macintyre.
9.30	M. A. Cairns, W. Stoker.
9.35	T. B. Low, R. K. Collings.
9.40	H. H. Mundy, K. S. Robertson.
9.45	G. W. Sewell, J. Linaker.
9.50	W. J. Buller, A. E. Clarke.
9.55	G. Milne, J. D. Thomson.
10.00	G. T. Lowry, A. V. Greaves.
10.05	W. L. Alexander, S. T. Butler.
10.10	J. B. Mackie, Col. Matthews.

Entries for the Championship will be accepted up to 11 a.m. Times before 9 o'clock can be booked, preferably by telephoning the Club office.

Non-competitors cannot use the course between 9 a.m. and 3.30 p.m.

The all-important Third Division lawn bowls League game between Police and Kowloon Bowling Green Club will be played on Saturday, September 20, commencing at 4 p.m.

Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club Home Staff are meeting Local Staff in a friendly "middle" lawn bowls game this evening at Ming Yuen at 8 p.m. prior to which opportunity will be taken to make a presentation to Mr. J. G. McKelvie on his departure from the Club.

Andrew Sandham, former England and Surrey batsman, celebrated his 51st birthday with 109 against Westminister Bank. Sandham was assisting a team known as the Ferrets, J. G. Youngman, scored 120 for the Bank and the match ended in a tie, each side scoring 212.—Reuter.

BOWLS LEAGUE RECORDS TO DATE

Following are the 1941 Lawn Bowls League records to date:—

HIGHEST AGGREGATE

1st Division—103, Craigen-gower C.C. v Civil Service at C.C.C.
2nd Division—91, Kowloon F.C. v Talkoo at K.F.C.
3rd Division—103, Police R.C. v Recreation at P.R.C.

LOWEST AGGREGATE

1st Division—29, Kowloon Dock v Craigen-gower at C.C.C.
2nd Division—39, Talkoo v Kowloon F.C. at K.F.C.
3rd Division—29, H.K. Electric v Hong Kong F.C. at H.K.F.C.

BIGGEST AGGREGATE WIN

1st Division—63, Craigen-gower v Civil Service at C.C.C.; and Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v Recreation "B" at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—54, Kowloon F.C. v Kowloon C.C. at K.F.C.
3rd Division—72, Police R.C. v Recreation at P.R.C.

HIGHEST RINK SCORE

1st Division—41, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreation "B" rink at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—40, J. C. Chalmers's Talkoo rink (J. Nimmo, F. Thompson and F. Hillon) v T. Carr's Kowloon C.C. rink at K.C.C.
3rd Division—40, C. Wallis's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. Dinnen, A. Bower and G. E. F. Thompson) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink at Ming Yuen; and J. C. Aitken's Police R.C. rink (J. Hayward, J. S. Riddell and J. M. McWalter) v P. Yvanovich's Recreation rink at P.R.C.

LOWEST RINK SCORE

1st Division—4, L. J. Silva's Recreation "B" rink (F. A. Machado, E. L. Barros and A. F. Noronha) v J. McKelvie's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (R. P. Phillips, A. Hyde-Lay and H. E. Drew) at Recreation.
2nd Division—4, W. J. Bagley's Prison Officers' rink (A. W. Hircok, J. Jamieson and J. W. Fitzgerald) v J. L. Stephens's K. Tong rink (N. A. Mackay, T. K. Lim and J. N. Wong) at Stanley.
3rd Division—5, J. Russell's H.K. Football Club rink (A. Bailey, J. Ralston and B. L. Bickford) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink (W. Stoker, C. E. Gahagan and R. C. Butler) at Ming Yuen; and P. Yvanovich's Recreation rink (F. Almeida, A. M. Silva and E. A. Alves) v R. M. Ogden's Kowloon F.C. rink (G. Cross, C. Woodcock and A. Macintyre) at K.F.C.

BIGGEST RINK WIN

1st Division—38, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreation "B" rink at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—34, J. C. Chalmers's Talkoo rink (J. Nimmo, F. Thompson and F. Hillon) v T. Carr's Kowloon C.C. rink at K.C.C.
3rd Division—33, J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink (W. Stoker, C. E. Gahagan and R. C. Butler) v J. Russell's H.K. Football Club rink at Ming Yuen.

SKIP WINS MATCH

1st Division—J. F. Macgowan (Civil Service) v E. C. Fincher (Kowloon C.C.); T. A. Madar (Kowloon C.C.) v J. J. Basto (Recreation "B"); J. McKelvie (Kowloon B.G.C. "A") v L. J. Silva (Recreation "B"); C. A. Lopes (Recreation "B") v J. W. Deakin (Civil Service); A. M. Calman (K. Dock) v T. A. Madar (Kowloon C.C.); J. Shepherd (Police R.C.) v M. Ferguson (K. Dock); and U. M. Omar (Craigen-gower C.C.) v A. H. Dallah (Indian R.C.).

2nd Division—A. J. Kew (K. Tong) v R. S. Meadows (Kowloon C.C.); W. Macfarlane (H.K. Football Club) v J. R. Soares (Recreation); K. S. Robertson (H.K. Football Club) v E. Kern (Kowloon F.C.) and J. R. Soares (Recreation); J. M. Jack (Kowloon C.C.) v K. S. Robertson (H.K. Football Club); G. E. Costello (H.K. Cricket Club) v J. McCutcheon (Prison Officers) and W. Melrose (Talkoo); J. L. Stephens (K. Tong) v W. J. Bagley (Prison Officers); W. Parsons (Kowloon C.C.) v M. J. Medina (Craigen-gower C.C.); and W. J. Bagley (Prison Officers) v E. Kern (Kowloon F.C.) and J. A. Watson (Talkoo).

3rd Division—M. F. Alarcon (Recreation) v A. McKellar (H.K.C.C.); C. F. Needham (H.K. Football Club) v R. M. Ogden (Kowloon F.C.); S. M. Rumjahn (Indian R.C.) v P. C. Morgan (H.K. Football Club); C. Wallis (Kowloon B.G.C.) v S. H. Strange (H.K. Football Club) and E. S. Abraham (H.K. Cricket Club); A. M. Wahab (Indian R.C.) v A. E. Carey (Police R.C.); P. A. Yvanovich (Recreation) v G. S. Graver (H.K. Football Club); A. J. Coelho (Craigen-gower C.C.) v P. A. Yvanovich (Recreation); H. Nish (Kowloon B.G.C.) v A. M. Wahab (Indian R.C.); R. M. Ogden (Kowloon F.C.) v P. A. Yvanovich (Recreation) and J. C. Aitken (Police) v H. Nish (Kowloon B.G.C.).

"POSSIBLES" (EIGHT)

1st Division—A. R. Dallah's Indian R.C. rink (J. Hoosen, A. K. Ismail and U. A. Rumjahn) v P. A. Peckham's Kowloon B.G.C. "B" rink at Soekunpo.

2nd Division—W. J. Howard's K. Tong rink (H. Gittins, W. M. Gittins and A. E. H. Castro) v W. J. Bagley's Prison Officers' rink at K. Tong; G. E. Costello's H.K. Cricket Club rink (S. L. Lloyd, J. G. Haigh and H. G. Wallington) v R. S. Meadows's Kowloon C.C. rink at H.K.F.C.; and E. Kern's Kowloon F.C. rink (W. Naei, A. Eastman and C. Dowman) v C. Gowland's Prison Officers' rink at Stanley.

3rd Division—C. Wallis's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. Dinnen, A. Bower and G. E. F. Thompson) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink at Ming Yuen.

SEVENS

1st Division—R. Duncan's Kowloon B.G.C. "B" rink (V. C. Dixon, W. C. Hodder and H. Lockhart) v B. Basto's Recreation "B" rink at K.B.G.C.; R. Duncan's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (W. L. Walker, E. Levett and J. McKelvie) v J. C. S. Fender's Police R.C. rink at P.R.C.; B. W. Bradbury's Craigen-gower C.C. rink (L. C. R. Souza, N. P. Karanjia and A. E. Coates) v J. Kempton's K. Dock rink at C.C.C.; A. J. Hall's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (R. P. Phillips, H. Lockhart and H. White) v R. F. Luz's Recreation "A" rink at K.B.G.C.; F. X. Silva's Recreation "A" rink (L. F. Xavier, H. A. Alves and J. E. Noronha) v U. M. Omar's Craigen-gower C.C. rink at C.C.C.; W. Mair's Police R.C. rink (C. Gough, C. Pile and G. Perkins) v F. X. Silva's Recreation "A" rink at P.R.C.; C. S. Rossetet's Craigen-gower C.C. rink (A. A. Razack, L. Gaddi and J. S. Landolt) v E. C. Fincher's Kowloon C.C. rink at K.C.C.; U. M. Omar's Craigen-gower C.C. rink (A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar and R. Basa) v A. J. Hall's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink at C.C.C.; (including a seven and a six at consecutive ends); and J. F. V. Ribeiro's Recreation "A" rink (J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques and L. F. Xavier) v M. N. Balderson's Civil Service rink at C.S.C.C.

2nd Division—C. Gowland's Prison Officers' rink (A. Perry, G. V.

McGrath and J. McCutcheon) v R. S. Meadows's Kowloon C.C. rink at Stanley; and W. Macfarlane's H.K. Football Club rink (A. Watson, J. H. Gelling and C. F. Needham) v J. R. Soares's Recreation rink at H.K.F.C.

3rd Division—K. C. Hamilton's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (H. Bicknell, G. Elphick and L. Jordan) v C. C. Pereira's Recreation rink at Recreation; A. J. Coelho's Craigen-gower rink (L. M. Roza, M. A. Baptista and E. S. Franks) v R. A. Edwards's H.K. Cricket Club rink at C.C.C.; D. A. Rozario's Craigen-gower rink (W. E. Broadbridge, F. K. Modi and G. S. Ladd) v S. H. Strange's H.K. Football Club rink at H.K.F.C.; H. Nish's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor and E. V. Searle) v G. S. Graver's H.K. Football Club rink at K.B.G.C.; J. T. Smalley's Kowloon F.C. rink (B. Williams, G. Frost, Y. Abbas) v G. S. Graver's H.K. Football Club rink at K.F.C.; B. A. Mansell's H.K. Football Club rink (T. H. Pearce, B. L. Bickford and G. E. Stephens) v H. R. Pinna's Recreation rink at Recreation; and G. S. Graver's H.K. Football Club rink (K. W. Forrow, J. M. Thomson and A. G. Gratton) v A. G. Gardner's H.K. Electric rink at H.K.F.C.

CONSECUTIVE WINNING ENDS

1st Division—12, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreation "B" rink at K.B.G.C.

2nd Division—13, J. M. Jack's Kowloon C.C. rink (A. C. Tribble, A. H. Martin and R. Leigh) v K. S. Robertson's H.K. Football Club rink at H.K.F.C.

3rd Division—13, J. Macdonald's Police R.C. rink (A. Soutar, C. Wilcox and J. McHardy) v B. A. Mansell's H.K. Football Club rink at P.R.C.; and H. Nish's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor and E. V. Searle) v D. A. Rozario's Craigen-gower C.C. rink at K.B.G.C.

DEVASTATING RUN OF SCORING

1st Division—27, A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreation "B" rink at K.B.G.C.

2nd Division—22, J. M. Jack's Kowloon C.C. rink (A. C. Tribble, A. H. Martin and R. Leigh) v K. S. Robertson's H.K. Football Club rink at H.K.F.C.

3rd Division—24, J. C. Aitken's Police R.C. rink (J. Hayward, J. Riddell and W. McWalter) v J. K. Sloan's H.K. Electric rink at P.R.C.

WINNING HEADS

1st Division—18, J. McKelvie's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (R. P. Phillips, A. Hyde-Lay and H. E. Drew) v L. J. Silva's Recreation "B" rink at Recreation; and A. M. Holland's Kowloon B.G.C. "A" rink (L. Guy, G. W. Deacon and A. Hyde-Lay) v J. C. Remedios's Recreation "B" rink at K.B.G.C.
2nd Division—17, J. L. Stephens's K. Tong rink (N. A. E. Mackay, T. K. Lim and J. N. Wong) v W. J. Bagley's Prison Officers' rink at Stanley.
3rd Division—17, J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink (W. Stoker, C. E. Gahagan and R. C. Butler) v J. Russell's H.K. Football Club rink at Ming Yuen; J. Macdonald's Police R.C. rink (A. Soutar, C. Wilcox and W. McHardy) v B. A. Mansell's H.K. Football Club rink at P.R.C.; H. Nish's Kowloon B.G.C. rink (J. A. Fraser, Sir A. MacGregor and E. V. Searle) v D. A. Rozario's Craigen-gower C.C. rink at K.B.G.C.; and J. Ralston's H.K. Football Club rink (A. Bailey, J. Russell and S. H. Strange) v J. F. Lunny's H.K. Electric rink at H.K.F.C.

ARMY RUGBY WITHOUT DOUGLASS, HOOK, DUKE & BERRY THIS SEASON

By "Scrum-Half"

Army Rugby will feel the loss of Douglass, Hook, Duke and Berry this season, but I understand they have several very useful newcomers, among whom is Capt. Rose, who played in the Edinburgh Wanderers' pack prior to the outbreak of war.

S.C.A.A.'s THIRD TITLE

South China Athletic Association won their third League Tennis Championship of the season when, at King's Park yesterday, they beat Chinese Recreation Club (1) by 8 sets to 1 in Third Division of the League.

The new champions—C.R.C. won it last season—thus went through the season without a defeat, having won 69½ sets out of a possible 90.

This is the first time in the history of the Club that they have won three titles in a single season, and as their First Division team also stand an excellent chance of finishing on top of their section, a South China clean sweep would not come as a surprise to followers of the game.

Yesterday's scores were:—
K. I. Chan and H. N. Wong (S.C.A.A.) beat T. F. Lo and H. N. Chau 6-2
beat C. Wei and H. Chung 6-3
beat P. H. Chiu and K. Y. Chan 6-4
C. P. Ip and C. L. Lau (S.C.A.A.) beat Lo and Chan 6-2
lost to Wei and Chung 2-6
beat Chiu and Chan 6-2
K. C. Wong and K. C. Sit (S.C.A.A.) beat Lo and Chan 6-2
beat Wei and Chung 6-3
beat Chiu and Chan 6-2

Table To Date

S.C.A.A.	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
A.T.C.	10	8	0	0	69½	20½	20
C.R.C.	7	6	1	0	63	19	15
C.R.C. (2)	9	6	3	0	55	26	12
C.D.R.	8	5	2	1	42½	39½	11
K.I.T.C.	8	4	3	1	39½	32½	9
K.C.C.	10	3	7	0	28½	61½	6
C.R.C. (1)	7	2	5	0	24½	35½	4
H.K.T.C.	7	2	5	0	18	45	4
H.K.U.T.C.	8	1	7	0	24½	47½	2
A.T.C.	10	0	10	0	19	71	0

Outstanding performances in the League cricket matches played in Shanghai on September 6, were as follows:—H. P. Madar (Tyros) 90 v Police; S. V. Gash (Police) 84 not out v Tyros; B. B. Boddy (Police) 48 v Tyros; J. C. Jenkins (Stragglers) 7 for 10 v Wanderers; H. Meston (Tyros) 5 for 38 v Police; and F. C. Woodley (Police) 6 for 52 v Tyros.

Club May Enter League

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB ARE CONSIDERING ENTERING THE CRICKET LEAGUE, JUDGING BY A CIRCULAR SENT OUT YESTERDAY TO MEMBERS INTERESTED IN CRICKET.

Practice nets will be up on Monday next and the first inter-club game will be on Saturday, September 27.

The Club did not enter the League last season.

NEW TIMES FOR START OF SOCCER GAMES

Permission for two Charity games during the week-end September 20-21 was granted at the monthly meeting of Hong Kong Football Association, held yesterday under the chairmanship of Mr. Wong Ka-tsun.

On Saturday, September 20, Eastern and Sing Tao will meet Combined Services, while on Sunday, September 21, South China will meet last season's Governor's Cup team. The proceeds will go to Chinese and British charities.

In view of daylight-saving, it was decided that junior and senior matches should start at 4.35 p.m. and 5.45 p.m. respectively in September and 3.30 p.m. and 5 p.m. in October and November and 15 minutes earlier in December and January.

The application of the Referees' Association that the annual game between Referees and Press be played on November 11 was granted.

The application of Hong Kong Referees' Association that Football Association recognise the examinations carried out by them was not granted. It was decided that Hong Kong Football Council would examine all civilian referees, as previously.

It was also decided that the referee was to be the sole judge of whether a ground was fit for play or not and that clubs be informed of this decision immediately.

VOLUNTEERS AT GOLF

Following are details of a friendly challenge match between First Battery and No. 2 (Scottish) Company, H.K.V.D.C. at Happy Valley yesterday. First Battery players being named first:

Gnr. Park and Gnr. Griffiths 0
Pte. Macintyre and Pte. Hunter 1;
Gnr. Butlin and Gnr. Lyon 0 Pte. Gillespie and Pte. Blackwood 1;
Gnr. Forrest and L/Bdr. Stone 0
Cpl. Mile and Pte. McKellar 1;
Gnr. Alexander and Gnr. Morrison 1
Pte. Thomson and Sgt. Stainton 0
Sgt. Oswald and Gnr. Sinclair 1
Lieut. Prophet and Sgt. Mackenzie 0
B.Q.M.S. Hewitt and Gnr. Bierens de Haan 0
Cpl. Sharp and Pte. Kerbey 1.

First Battery 2 points, No. 2 (Scottish) Coy. 4 points.

In place of the usual kick-round practice, Club played Sing Tao in a friendly soccer game yesterday and lost by seven clear goals. Sing Tao tried out 25 players during the game.

ARMY SERVICE CORPS STRENGTHENED BY TWO EXCELLENT NEWCOMERS

By "Referee"

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS, JUNIOR SHIELD CHAMPIONS AND RUNNERS-UP IN SECOND DIVISION OF THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE LAST SEASON, ARE FULLY CONFIDENT OF BRINGING OFF THE JUNIOR "DOUBLE" AS THEY HAVE BEEN STRENGTHENED BY TWO EXCELLENT NEWCOMERS AND HAVE LOST ONLY ONE OF LAST SEASON'S PLAYERS.

THE NEWCOMERS ARE BLEZZARD, A FULL-BACK WHO PLAYED FOR WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS' JUNIOR TEAM AND ALSO BOURNE-MOUTH RESERVES AND WHO, ACCORDING TO A COMPETENT ARMY SOCCER OFFICIAL, SHOULD WALK INTO THE ARMY SIDE AND MOST REPRESENTATIVE GAMES.

The other is Defty, a centre-forward who is expected to add further strength to an already dangerous forward line.

The only departure is Bradshaw, last season's left-back, who has left the Colony.

Mattison, who kept goal for the greater part of last season, will again be seen in goal. Murray, who played some very good games last season, will probably be one of the backs with Blezzard occupying the other position, while Hamlin will be a good understudy.

Same Half-Back Trio

The intermediate line will be unchanged, comprising Smart, Young and Hammond. The last-named came very much into prominence in the closing stages of last season.

In the attack Glen and Martin will be left and right-wingers respectively, and it will be recalled that both were given trials for Army last season. Defty will lead the attack and will be supported by Morgan at inside-right and Weir, who played several games for Army, at inside-left.

Last season Service Corps were obliged to withdraw their Third Division side owing to departures, but they have again entered this division this season, and their team will be composed mostly of newcomers who have not yet been seen in action.

NEWCOMERS TO SHELL SIDE

SHELL Sports Club, who made their debut in Third Division last season, met with little success but benefitted greatly by the experience gained in League Football. They have been strengthened this season by several good players.

Lee Yuen-kyun, brother of the well-known Lee Wai-koo, leader of the now defunct Chinese Athletic side, will be in the attack. He has played plenty of football in Swatow until recently, and was very prominent in school football.

Teddy Tang, a promising youngster from La Salle College, has also joined the team, while it is hoped Dick Alves,

ex-Recreio player, and Mattias, who played for Kowloon Juniors last season, will also be turning out.

Shell, however, have had no opportunity for practice games owing to lack of grounds.

Following are their players:—Tang Chak, Lau Woon, Lau Wing, Cheng Uicheong, L. Woo, Ablong, Cheuk Kichuen, Man Chi-ki, Wan Lo-kwan, Kwok Yik-on, Ho Wing, Ng Kein-hung, Tso Tak-kong, H. Wing Lee, Wong Tse-keo, N. Spence, D. E. Demme and H. de Sa.

ORDNANCE LOSS

ROYAL Army Ordnance Corps, who met with varying success in Second Division last season, are one of the few Military teams who have had no newcomers recently and who will therefore have to depend entirely on last season's team for the coming season.

Ordnance have been greatly hit by the attachment of Stevens, their centre-half, to 24th B.A., as it is reported that he will be turning out for that Battery. He was the mainstay of their defence.

Reynolds, goalkeeper of the English team which won the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup Series last season, will again be seen in goal, with Adams and Jones as the backs.

Nicholls will be in his old position at right-half, with Roberts, last season's full-back, occupying the pivotal position vacated by Stevens. The left-half berth will be entrusted to either Russell or Jones as both these players are equally at home at back or at half.

Positional changes can be expected in the attack. Gardner, who was injured last season, will be returning to the side, thus allowing Emberson, last season's right-winger, to play in the inside-right position. Hewison will lead the attack, with Duffield on the left wing and Harding at inside-left.

KWONG WAH TEAMS

Following are the Kwong Wah football teams to meet Kowloon Football Club in friendly matches to-morrow at Boundary Street:

1st Team at 5.45 p.m.:—Lee Kwok-kee; Chung Fai-lam, Lee Kwok-wai, Wong Shui-kee, Law Kwong, Leung Pak-wai, Yip Yan-bor, Tin Yung-fat, Chan Tak-fai, Cheuk Shek-kam and Wong King-chung. Reserve:—Chin Chi-fun.

2nd Team at 4.15 p.m.:—Wong Cheung; Lo Shu-ke, Henry Young, Yeung Tse-tsang, Chung Kim-fai, Wong Wah-gay, Lung Chi-lup, Lee Yan-leung, Leung Ping-kam, Wan Shu-ying and Law Wing-kui. Reserves:—Cheung Ngai-shing and Leung Bing-chuen.

STARTING TIMES

Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's starting times for playing on Sunday, are as follows:

OLD COURSE	
9.16 a.m.	G. C. Worrall, R. Forrest
9.20	S. S. Church, W. Hewitt
9.24	I. H. Geare, T. J. J. Fenwick
9.28	B. B. Purves, G. M. Park
9.32	J. A. D. Morrison, K. S. Morrison
9.36	A. E. Lissam, D. S. Robb
9.40	E. G. Price, F. A. Redmond
9.44	R. R. Davis, R. S. W. Paterson
9.48	C. W. E. Bishop, J. D. Clugue

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Craig Wood's ability to stay clear of hooks and drive his ball straight down the centre of the narrow Colonial Fairways at Ft. Worth was of particular value in winning the National Open title. This factor is all the more outstanding for Wood has more than once lost a major crown by this very fault. In fact the situation was so serious when Wood was 35 that he decided to change his entire game to eliminate his hooking tendencies.

Whereas Wood had formerly been putting in plenty of right hand punch in his strokes, with the hand well under the shaft, he switched to placing the right hand on top. This counteracted a habit of wrist rolling. It also set the stage for a shift from an open club face at the top of the stroke to a closed one. In many cases this very procedure results in a hook. In Wood's case it happened to be insurance against it. Now, his



clubface is square to the ball and the line of flight throughout. The clubface maintains this position during the stroke, the only departure coming at the point of impact when Wood consciously opens the face a little to add a trace of fade to the ball. This facilitates control.

OMAR BROTHERS WIN IN PAIRS EVENT BUT ARE NOT IMPRESSIVE

IN THE QUARTER-FINAL OF THE COLONY LAWN BOWLS PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP YESTERDAY A. M. OMAR AND U. M. OMAR BEAT H. R. PINNA AND B. BASTO 21-15 ON POLICE R.C. GREEN.

ANNUAL MEETING OF C.B.A.

The annual general meeting of Central British Association was held at King's Park yesterday, the Rev. G. E. S. Updell being in the chair, supported by Mr. T. S. D. Whitley, Hon. Secretary, Mr. C. Semmelmann, Hon. Treasurer, and Miss N. Witchell.

Reading a report of activities during the year under review, Mr. Whitley said that the evacuation had deprived the Association of many lady members and had also robbed the Association of one of its main sources of supply of new members—the Central British School.

Presenting his financial report, Mr. Semmelmann disclosed that the year under review was in every way satisfactory and reported a profit of \$1,450.38.

A proposal that the membership fee for men be raised to \$20 per annum and for women to \$15 per annum, payable half-yearly, was defeated.

Debenture Issue

A further proposal that the question of issuing 5 per cent. mortgage debentures, with the Club-house as security, be considered was adopted and referred to a sub-committee for further consideration.

Mr. Taylor proposed and it was passed that the Association issue and put on sale for six months three hundred \$10 five per cent. mortgage debentures to Club members, such debentures to be repayable over 10 years at the rate of 30 a year to be drawn by lots.

Before the meeting closed, Mr. W. Mulcahy stated that a number of members had suggested the formation of a cricket team this year. It was agreed that the Committee appoint a sub-committee to handle the suggestion.

The following officers for the year 1941-42 were elected.—President, Rev. G. E. S. Updell; Vice-President, Mr. J. J. King; Hon. Secretary, Mr. D. T. Smith; Assistant Hon. Secretary, Mr. N. M. Witchell; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. T. L. Lockhart; Committee, Mrs. I. Joyce, Mrs. G. Davies, Messrs. C. Semmelmann, G. Arnold, T. S. D. Whitley, G. Gurevitch, W. Mulcahy and C. McEwen.

Paul Lofinkoff, China lightweight boxing champion, retained his title by securing a T.K.O. decision in the seventh round over Nakano at the Candrome, Shanghai, on September 5.



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A FIVE AT THE 8TH, WHEN THEY WERE TRAILING 4-6, SET THE OMARS ON THE ROAD TO VICTORY, FOR AFTER THIS THEY NEVER LOST THEIR GRIP ON THE GAME. THOUGH THEY DID GIVE AWAY A COUPLE OF THREES IN THE CLOSING STAGES, ONE AT THE VERY LAST END.

Basto and his partner started off with 1 2 2, but the feature of the game was that, apart from their 5, the Omars did not register a bigger count than 2, and they had four of these.

The game was well-contested, but if the Omars are going to wrest the title from H. A. Alve and F. V. V. Ribeiro, who have held it for two years, they will have to produce a better brand of bowls than they did last evening.

OMAR: 0-0-0 1-1-2 0-6-1-2-0-2-0 1-1 1-0 1-2 0-21
BASTO: 1-2-2 0-0 1-0-0-0 1-0-2 0-0 0-3 0-0 3-15

Post In 2nd Round

At Kowloon Football Club yesterday, E. G. Post beat J. J. Basto by 21-13 after 22 ends in the First Round of the Colony Lawn Bowls Singles Championship.

It was anybody's game up to the 17th, when Post was leading by only 4 shots—14-10—but after that his opponent could manage only 1 1 0 2 against a couple of threes and a single chalked up by him.

POST: 0-0-1 1-2-0 0-6-1-2-0-2-0 1-1 1-0 1-2 0-21
BASTO: 1-2-2 0-0 1-0-0-0 1-0-2 0-0 0-3 0-0 3-15

MINIATURE FOOTBALL

Two matches in the miniature football competition sponsored by St. Joseph's Football Club were decided on the Causeway Bay ground last evening, when Koon Kwan beat Engineers 9-1 and Chin Tsun lost to South China 3-2.

Ho Yau-ki (3), Soong Ling-sing (4) and Chu Kam-shing (2) scored for Koon Kwan while Shaw scored Sappers' solitary goal.

In the second encounter, Cheung Kam-hoi netted for Chin Tsun from a penalty, and Cheung Kam-hoi scored the second. Chow Man-chi and Lee Shek-yau (2) netted for South China.

TO-DAY'S MATCH

At the Navy ground, at 5.45 p.m. to-day, Ah Q will meet Koon Kwan.

TUNG YEE F.C. WITHDRAW

Tung Yee Football Club have withdrawn from Third Division of the Football League, and it is now possible that Royal Engineers, who were refused admission to this division, on the score of being over the required number of teams, will be invited to fill the vacancy.

BASKETBALL TO-NIGHT

Two matches in the Open Basketball League will be played at Kowloon Chinese Y.M.C.A. this evening, when National University meet Ping-Ching and South China clash with Indian Police.

HOCKEY ON SKATES

Second Round fixtures of the Hockey League on roller skates, sponsored by "Chi Yin Yat Po," were arranged yesterday, and two matches will be decided to-night as follows:—

At Kowloon Skating Rink (6 p.m.)
K.S.R. "B" v K.S.R. "A"
At King's Skating Rink (6.30 p.m.)
King's v Blitz

S/Sgt. Emberson beat L/Cpl. Glasgow 6-2, 6-3 in the "Army Singles Tennis" Championship at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Miss Phoebe Lo won the Lawn Tennis Singles Championship of "Diocesan Girls' School" when she beat Miss Patsy Kotewall 7-5, 6-2 in the Final on Wednesday.

Colony Aquatic Mark Bettered By Ng Nin

Ng Nin, joint holder of the Colony record for the 50 Yards free-style event with D. H. Taylor, yesterday shattered the old mark of 24 4/5 secs. when, swimming in the heats for the forthcoming Colony Championships at V.R.C., he was clocked at 24 3/5 seconds.

Immediately preceding this, Tsui Hang, swimming in the first heat of the same event, was clocked at 25 secs. Opinion varies whether he, too, would not have broken the record had he not stopped almost half-way through the second lap when he lost his cap and hit the side of the bath all at the same time!

Miss Vivienne Churn, Colony ladies' 100 Yards free-style champion, had bad luck in that a faulty turn in the women's 50 Yards breast-stroke caused her disqualification after she had finished an easy winner in her particular heat.

In the Men's 150 Yards Medley Relay Race, E. A. Roberts' failure, after his first two men, N. Hammond (back-stroke) and D. Hutchinson (breast-stroke), had given him an excellent lead, forced European Y.M.C.A. into third place in their heat.

In the men's 220 Yards free-style Chan Chun-nam, Colony champion, was beaten into second place by Yau Sai-kwan, but the outstanding feature of this event was the excellent showing of Lau



NG NIN

Tai-ping, who, though not seriously challenged, covered the distance in 2 mins. 28 1/5 secs., as against Yau's 2 mins. 30 1/5 secs.

Following were the results:—

Men's 50 Yards free-style:—First Heat: 1, *Tsui Hang (25 secs.); 2, *Wong Chi-hang; 3, Lo Yuk-wing. Second Heat: 1, *Ng Nin (24 3/5 secs. Record); 2, *D. Hutchinson; 3, *Shek Kam-pui.

V.R.C. Women's 50 Yards Handicap:—First Heat: *Miss Y. Yollo; 2, *Mrs. J. Crawford; 3, Miss M. Guterres. Second Heat: 1, *Miss C. Yollo; 2, *Miss Y. Remedios; 3, *Miss T. Yvanovich.

Men's 220 Yards free-style:—First Heat: 1, *Yau Sai-kwan (2 mins. 32 secs.); 2, *Chan Chun-nam; 3, *C. Huang. Second Heat: 1, *Lau Tai-ping (2 mins. 28 1/5 secs.); 2, *Chiu Wai-lin.

V.R.C. Women's 25 Yards back-stroke:—First Heat: 1, *Miss Y. Yollo; 2, *Miss T. Noronha; 3, *Miss C. Yollo. Second Heat: 1, *Miss C. Yollo; 2, *Miss M. Guterres; 3, Miss U. Khoo.

Women's 50 Yards breast-stroke:—First Heat: 1, *Miss Tsang Fung-gwan (39 2/5 secs.); 2, *Miss Li Po-lu; 3, Miss M. Noronha. Second Heat: 1, *Miss Ho Wai-man (40 secs.); 2, *Miss Chan Chok-pan. Miss Vivienne Churn was disqualified for a faulty turning.

Men's 150 Yards medley relay Race: First Heat: 1, *Sing Tao (1 min. 30 secs.); 2, *Eastern; 3, *European. Second Heat: 1, *V.R.C. (1 min. 29 secs.); 2, *Lai Tsun; 3, University. *Qualifies for final.

Today's Heats

Following heats will be decided this evening commencing at 6.07 p.m.: Colony Championships:

Men's 440 Yards free-style.
Men's 220 Yards breast-stroke.
Women's 100 Yards breast-stroke.
Women's 50 Yards free-style.

V.R.C. Members:
220 Yards free-style Junior Championship.
50 Yards free-style Handicap.

V.R.C. Boys:
75 Yards Medley Handicap.

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CHUNGKING ATTITUDE

Divided Views On U.S.-Japanese Talks

JAPAN'S DEFENCE MOVE

Establishment of a General Defence Headquarters for Japan may be viewed as a further indication of the preparations in that country for an ultimate worsening of the world situation.

GENERAL YAMADA, CHIEF OF THE NEW HEADQUARTERS, BECOMES VIRTUAL DICTATOR IN MATTERS OF EMPIRE DEFENCE.

He is responsible only to the Emperor and remains on the War Council as well as holding the post of Inspector-General of Military Education.

ALL JAPANESE MORNING NEWSPAPERS YESTERDAY GAVE PROMINENCE TO THE NEW DEFENCE MEASURE, WHICH IS ATTRIBUTED TO "THE AGGRAVATION OF THE SITUATION WHICH FINDS JAPAN SURROUNDED ON FOUR SIDES." — REUTER.

12,000 POLITICAL PRISONERS

The Secretary for India stated in the Commons that on July 1 those serving sentences in connection with the civil disobedience movement in India amounted to 12,129 including 28 ex-Ministers and 200 members of provincial legislatures. In addition seven of the former and 31 of the latter were under detention.—British Wireless.

Main Topic Of Interest

THE EVE OF President Roosevelt's eagerly-awaited broadcast finds the discussions between the United States and Japan still the main topic of interest in Chungking, with opinions apparently divided.

Some quarters still see the possibility of compromise arrangements being made between the two countries while others think a settlement is unlikely.

Chinese reports from Washington indicate that no settlement has yet been reached, and similar views are shared by American circles.

That the United States will not come to an agreement with Japan on the Far Eastern situation, except in the form of a basic settlement, is the belief expressed in Chungking.

The suggestion from Tokyo that if the United States resumed oil shipments to Japan the latter would not interfere with American oil shipments to Russia, via Vladivostok, was described by the official "Central Daily News" as "another Konoye trick."

Breathing Space

Declaring Japan apparently is using this as a bargaining point in the present discussions the paper adds: Tokyo's suggestion that she would not interfere with oil shipments via Vladivostok if the United States would resume oil shipments to Japan proves she is insincere towards the Axis and the United States alike.

"She is now trying to break the Anglo-American economic pressure."

"If Japan is allowed another

breathing space the Democracies will miss a great opportunity to check Japanese aggression." — Reuter.

Chungking Talk

A lengthy conversation took place yesterday between Mr. Clarence Gauss, the American Ambassador in Chungking, and the Chinese Foreign Minister, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, at the latter's official residence.

The topics discussed are not revealed but it is generally presumed that they touched on the present American-Japanese talks in Washington.—Central News.

FIGHTER PATROLS

DESPITE UNFAVOURABLE CLOUD CONDITIONS SPIT-FIRES OF THE FIGHTER COMMAND CARRIED OUT PATROLS OVER OCCUPIED TERRITORY YESTERDAY.

They flew at 50 feet across the sea and swept inland for several miles over northern France, Belgium and Holland. Aerodromes and hangars were attacked with cannon and machine-gun fire in France and Belgium and gun crews dispersed.

Two pilots saw some inaccurate fire from the ground but no enemy fighters came up to interfere.

The pilots report much harvesting is going on both in Belgium and France. Peasants stopped work and waved to the pilots as they flew low over the fields.—British Wireless.

U.S. NAVY TO STRIKE FIRST

(Continued from Page 1)

No Illusions

President Roosevelt described "these acts of lawlessness" as "a Nazi design to abolish the freedom of the seas and acquire absolute control and domination of the seas for themselves."

"With control of the seas in their own hands, the way can become clear for their next step—domination of the United States and the western hemisphere by force."

"I HAVE NO ILLUSIONS ABOUT THE GRAVITY OF THIS STEP: IN THE PROTECTION OF YOUR NATION, IT CANNOT BE AVOIDED."

President Roosevelt said the U.S. Navy was "Invincible only so long as the British Navy survives."

He declared the United States' traditional policy of freedom of the seas "still applies not merely to the Atlantic but to the Pacific and all other oceans as well."

HE ADDED THAT U.S. VESSELS IN U.S. DEFENCE WATERS WOULD NO LONGER WAIT FOR AXIS ATTACKERS TO STRIKE FIRST.

Squarely In The Eye

The President pointed out that other peaceful nations had "met with disaster because they refused to look the German danger squarely in the eye until they actually had them by the throat."

HE ADDED: "THE UNITED STATES WILL NOT MAKE THAT FATAL MISTAKE." — REUTER AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

TOWN FINED FOR SABOTAGE

The inhabitants of the important industrial town of Enschede, in eastern Holland, have been fined 50,000 guilders by the German commissar for "committing acts of sabotage," it was learned in Dutch circles in London yesterday. Nature of the sabotage was not stated.—Reuter.

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The official German news agency quotes a Reykjavik report that the Icelandic freighter "Hekla" was sunk on June 29 on a voyage to America. Of the crew of 20 only six were saved.

There were no Americans among the crew of the Hekla.

Thor Thors, Consul-General in New York for Iceland, said the "Hekla" was torpedoed without warning in daylight on June 29 and sank in two or three minutes.

The Icelandic colours were painted plainly on her sides when she left Reykjavik two days earlier.

She was sunk about 500 miles south-west of Iceland and the survivors spent ten and a half days on a raft before being rescued.—Reuter.

LABOUR LEADERS SHOT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Reports from Norway received in Stockholm say the German overlords have executed two of the foremost Labour leaders under the state of siege proclaimed with the aim of halting "rebellious strikes."

The executions are described as a veritable death blow to the once-powerful Norwegian Labour movement.

Viggo Pansteen, Secretary of the General Federation of Trade Unions, and Rolf Vickstrom, Chairman of the Trade Union Council, were shot by a firing squad.

It is understood a drastic purge of the unions is under way by the Quisling Lieutenant, Olav Fossum, Secretary of the Labour Federation.

The Swedish Labour Federation yesterday draped its premises with black crepe and Norwegian flags in sympathy.—International News Service.

THREE CHINESE GIRLS DROWNED

Three Chinese girls were drowned when a lighter, No. 1988V, sank near Buoy No. 4 early this morning.

The lighter, carrying 16, including the three girls, and 800 bags of rice, sank at 3.10 a.m. while under way from a ship to the Island.

All with the exception of the three girls, between 6 and 12, were rescued by passing launches.

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